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HER FROWN.

There is magic in the music when the fountains of her mirth
Into liquid waves of laughter ripple down;
And her eyes a deeper rapture
In their dreamy moments capture,
But I cherish most her features archly gathered in a frown.

In the masquerade of faces desolation wears a smile,
While the gravest in demeanor is the clown;
But I know that in revealing
Every transient thought and feeling
She is nearest when her forehead sweetly furrows with a frown.

In her eyes there gleams a splendor which no shadows can subdue,
Like the glint upon the waving fields of brown;
As the glowing embers mingle
With the ashes on the ingle
Glows her soul among the thoughts which gravely wait upon her frown.

All the shifting lights and shadows which her April eyes assume
Wear a charm of which this aspect is the crown;
And if she could guess the ardor
Of my thoughts as I regard her,
How I wonder would her features coldly gather in a frown!

—Charles J. Bayne, in Puck.

Reuben Cole's Change.

BY ANNIE HAMILTON DONNELL.

"And roses, Reuben?" Leah Cole said, quietly.

The seed catalogue lay open, and she could see the bunch of thrifty onions on the open page. Reuben most always ended his list with onions! There wasn't time to wait any longer—it was now or never.

"And roses, Reuben?"

Reuben Cole bent over his laboring pen, apparently deaf to the gentle, wistful voice. His hand was painfully cramped, and the parallel lines indented between his eyebrows told of his mental toiling. Plowing half a day, steady, on the windy side of Stone Scrabble hill was nothing to this.

Leah could have helped him if she had only dared to suggest it; but to her simple vision there was something majestic and unapproachable about Reuben with a pen gripped in his fingers. It required all her courage to mention her heart's desire—the roses.

"But I'm bound I will," she communed with herself, stoutly. "I'll do my part, an' that's all the Angel Gabriel could do if he wanted Reuben to put roses onto his list."

But her heart failed her as she watched Reuben's slow pen trace "two packages of best onion seed," and then sign "Reuben Cole" in great quivery letters. It did not write "roses," and Leah Cole's plaintive face fell.

Reuben Cole was not deaf. None of the Coles had ever been, even in their eighties. It was a matter of family pride with them all.

He had heard Leah's gentle reminder about the roses—oh, yes, but he had let it pass unheeded, just as he had the year before and the year before that. Leah always put in her our for some foolishness like that every time he sent off his order for seeds and berry canes. One year it was flowering almonds an' some kind of Tartar honeysuckles. If he got 'em once he'd have to again, and wasn't it about all he could do to manage the garden sauce? They'd got to have that, but they hadn't got to have a mess o' bushes an' flower beds littering up the front yard. Leah was real curious about that.

The Cole farm was a prosperous one. According to its place in the taxgather's books, it ranked as one of the thriftiest in the town. There were always the newest varieties of small fruits in its berry patch and the newest kind of garden sauce in its garden. Its field crops were fine—its level mowing fields wonderfully productive. The neighbors averred that they never did see greener, heavier grass than grew in Reuben Cole's meadows, and his loads o' hay at haying time were sights to behold.

But the front yard at the Coles' was barren and dismal. To be sure, there were Leah's beds of old-fashioned flowers that she spaded and tended herself with steady patience; but they had a discouraged look in spite of her care. The little old-time posies refused to blossom thriftily in such barren, undressed soil, and Reuben could not spare any dressing for it.

But the grass—oh, that was the worst! It tormented poor Leah's beauty-loving eyes summer after summer. She did so long to see it brilliantly green and carpety, like other people's front yard grass. Across the street, a little way down the hill, the Hobbs' grass was so green. You could feast your eyes on it an' bury your feet in its luxuriatin' thickness—an' they always kept it mowed.

Leah Cole did her own front-yard mowing. It was not very successful.

The day after the seed list was sent off, Leah took her sewing out into the yard. It was one of those surprisingly warm, summery days that come sometimes in early spring, and she could not resist the temptation of it. But she did not sew much. She wandered wistfully round the big, bare enclosure, girt in by it's unkempt fence. It took all Reuben's time to keep the pasture fences trim.

"It's a nice-shaped yard," murmured Leah. "It's got the 'possibles' in it. Mowin' an' dressin' an' fixin' up the bushes an' things—land alive! wouldn't they make it nice? I'd like to see it jest once before I die!"

She went about picking out her "sites," as she called them—this corner where she wanted a Tartarian honeysuckle like Amanda Hobbs'—this little longish place where she wanted a row o' rosebushes—this sheltered spot for the flowering almond.

There were a good many sites. They dotted the forlorn little place all over, and when Leah shut her eyes and made believe, transformed it into a lovely little place.

In the antipodes of Leah Cole's hungry, wistful life it is possible she might have been an artist. The artist's soul was in her.

"I'd put the clump o' hydrangeas over here in this cornery place—kind o' set 'em round careless in a scatterin' bunch. They look real pretty so. There's a clump in a yard over to Buxville. And the white laylac I'd like to go about here. It would grow big and need plenty o' room."

A white lilac was one of Leah's heart's desires, too. She wanted a white one so!

They were plowing down in the home field, and the sound of the men's voices drifted up to her through the clear air. Reuben's voice was hearty and full of enthusiasm. He was going to lay down that field to clear clover.

"I wish they'd plow the front yard up," mused on Leah, watching the long, straight furrows grow. "I'd sow the grass seed myself. It's the only way to do. This old sod is so dead 'n' alive."

There were no children on the Cole farm, and all the love and devotion Leah Cole might have spent over little, uneasy bodies and all the time she might have spent over little patch-hungry pinafores and frocks were centred on this little, unkempt front yard that was so dreary and might be—land! so beautiful.

It wouldn't have been so bad with little child truck scattered round it and prints of little feet on its graceless sod.

"I'm agoin' to run up to John's before the plantin' begins, Leah. There's some business I've got to do with him, an' I need a little change," Reuben said at supper time. He said nothing about Leah's going too. Did he think she did not need a change?

"Why, I would, Reuben. It's a pretty drive, an' they'll be tickled to death to see you! It'll do you good. An' Reuben—" her voice faltered the least bit—"An' Reuben, if you don't mind askin' John's wife for some slips—"

"Slips! I s'pose you mean slips o' plants an' things, but I calc'late John's wife has all she can do makin' slips out o' dimity cloth!"— for at John's there were little children.

Reuben laughed and pushed away his plate. But Leah rallied for the second attack.

"Mebbe she's dreadful busy, but John's wife will always find time to keep growin' things round—"

"Of course. There's six there now, if I remember. I guess they all grow fast enough."

The immediate prospect of a "change" made Reuben unwontedly jovial. He chuckled in pleased appreciation of his little joke. But Leah was intent on her own thoughts and remained grave enough. If she could only have some of John's wife's slips and maybe—land! think of it! John's wife had roses all around the house.

"An' John's real poor beside Reuben," sighed Leah's thoughts.

The last thing, as Reuben drove out of the yard, she called out after him, wistfully:

"If you're a mind to speak of the slips, Reuben—"

And then she went back to her work, and Reuben rode along the pleasant country ways with the beautiful resurrection of spring all about him. The air was full of the smell of newly-turned sods, as he passed by fields fresh from the plow.

The first birds back from their winter resorts tilted on limber twigs and sang to him. It was spring—spring—spring.

Reuben Cole's blood quickened and flowed more freely through his veins, as the sap was flowing under the little song birds' feet.

He passed a jogging couple in a quaint, old-fashioned wagon and caught a glimpse of their placid enjoyment of each other's company.

"I declare," he thought, "why didn't I bring Leah along? I might've as well as not. I'd go back now if I warn't a third of the way to John's."

At John's a good many things interested Reuben Cole, and a good many things astonished him. The tiny farm was just out of its winter dress, and the spring cutting and fitting had not begun.

"Ain't you late about your plowin,' John?" questioned Reuben a little surprised, for John was a first-rate farmer. "Down our way it's all out o' the way, an' plantin' will be comin' along pretty quick."

"Yes, I am late," laughed John, cheerily enough, looking up from his work—he was helping his wife prune the roses and shrubs. "You're ahead this time, sure. But I told Letty here she shouldn't do all this prunin' and tyin' up alone—the plowin' could wait a bit. Don't you worry. I'll catch up with you."

John and John's wife were bending over a white rosebush, and their heads and fingers came together, now and then, in the friendliest nudges. Both of them were laughing, with their voices keyed to spring music. It was very pleasant out in John's front yard.

Reuben sat on the doorstep and revolved new notions in his head.

"Why shouldn't I help?" went on John's voice. "Half this front yard's mine, an' I guess I want things to look flourishin' in it, too—hey, Letty? what's that you say about men folks not carin' for flowers? Take it back, ma'am—one, two, three!"

A merry race ensued, and all the little John children flowed out of nooks and crannies to join in it.

Letty came out of it breathless and smiling.

"We're goin' to put the aster seeds in under the windows this year," she explained to Reuben. "They'll look so bright against the underpinnin'. And the sweet peas over there against the fence and the pansy beds here, you see. The children see to those. Oh, we're goin' to look fine, I tell you! And John's sent for some new shrubs too—let's see; hydrangeas and a golden elder and a smoke tree. Last year we got that purple-leaved plum. You'd ought to see it by and by! And we got the white lilac"—John's wife's said "laylac," too—"last year. Oh, yes, and that cunnin' little mulberry tree. We try to get three new ones every year. When the front yard's full, there's the back yard!"

John's wife laughed and went in to see if the John baby had waked up yet.

"She's a great one for fixin' up, Letty is," John remarked, proudly.

"I leave the selectin' all to her; then I help set out and tend. There's nothin' like havin' things kind o' pretty around the house. I say that's as necessary as havin' good potatoes and thick hay crops. If you can't have both, have six o' one and half a dozen o' the other. You chaps with the money can outshine us, of course, but we'll do the level best we can!"

All the the way home Reuben Cole was still revolving his new ideas. In the back of the wagon was a bulky bundle of shrubs done up in burlap. He had driven ten miles out of his way for these. John's wife's slips were in a moist packet under the seat. Halfway home, the ideas said there was going to be a revolution in the front yard at home. Two-thirds of the way, there was going to be a revolution in the little homely sitting room where he and Leah sat together long winter evenings. There was going to be something new and bright there as well as in the little homely front yard.

Grand ideas—brave ideas.

Three-fourths of the way home, he was going to help Leah set out the things and prune them and dress them for her. Poor Leah! She'd had kind of a hard, uphilly time of it tryin' to fix up things round home. Come to think of it, Leah was growin real sober and old, late years—Leah and she used to be the sprightliest, han'somest little woman in the United States! Happy an' chirk, too, as a laughin' child.

Four-fifths of the way, five-sixths—almost home!

Seven-eighths of the way; he was goin' to give the little woman a surprise an' see if she'd forgot to blush that little soft red color that used to set her off so.

Home. And Reuben Cole sprang lightly down and kissed Leah's patient, gentle face. A little soft red color hurried into her cheeks and made her young again.

"Why, Reuben—land!"—The House wife.

QUAINT AND CURIOUS.

A traveler can now go around the world in 50 days.

It is estimated that 400,000 larks are sold yearly for food at the Leaden hall market, London.

George Ford of Louisville, Ky., seventy-seven years old, has just married, as his seventh wife, a girl of seventeen.

The prefix "O" before so many of the names of Irish families is an abbreviation of the word "ogha," meaning grandchild.

There is a curious superstition in Venice that if a stranger dies in a hotel the number of his room will be lucky at the next lottery.

The Queen's body guard for Scotland, the Royal Company of Archers, contains the pink of Scottish nobility, whose estates are in the Lothians or on the borders.

It is against the rules to carry matches on board a modern man-of war. From the time when the ship leaves harbor for a cruise she is never without a light of some kind burning.

The first book printed in the limits of the United States was the "Bay Psalms Book," which was issued in Cambridge, Mass., in 1640. Specimens of this publication are extremely rare and command very high prices.

Dr. A. Robinson, a dentist of Grand Rapids, Mich., has a bull terrier which recently broke his two front teeth in a fight. Robinson fixed the dog up in his chair and fitted the teeth with gold fillings, and the terrier is again on the warpath.

A traveler in Russia is responsible for the "travelers' tale" that it is not an uncommon thing to meet a herd of cows or oxen in certain parts of that country wearing blue glasses to counteract the effects caused by the reflection of the snow in winter time.

Among the Siamese the curious custom obtains of reversing the elbow-joint of the left arm as a sign of superiority. The children of both sexes are trained to reverse their elbow in this painful position at an early age, if their parents are persons of high grade.

"Floating bogs" are found in the Lake of the Woods and other waters of Minnesota. The bogs nourish a large number of plants, shrubs and even small trees, as well as little animals. They drift about with the winds, and sometimes get caught in sheltered coves, where they remain and become fixed to the bottom.

Some 300 and odd cats are maintained by the United States government, the cost of their support being put down as a regular item in the accounts of the postoffice department. These cats are distributed among about fifty postoffices, and their duty is to keep rats and mice from eating and destroying postal matter and canvas mail sacks.

The Duke of Portland, Queen Victoria's master of the horse, has magnificent stables on his own estate, Welbeck Abbey, perhaps the finest in the world. There is a riding house 385 feet long and 100 feet wide, and the hunting stables accommodate 100 horses. The glass roofed arcade in which the horses are exercised is nearly 1300 feet long.

Little Tricks of the Mind Bother People.

One of the most curious facts in connection with all big brain workers is that they are generally to be floored over some trivial thing which might be conquered by a child of eight. For instance, one of our present-day writers confessed recently to an English reporter that from his earliest boyhood he has never been able to count anything in threes. All mental calculations he makes in twos or fours, and he experiences the greatest difficulty in repeating the three-times multiplication table correctly from memory. Almost as curious is the difficulty of a clever North country ex-mayor, who cannot distinguish between s and z, and constantly misplaces these letters in writing—a failing which has caused him a life-long annoyance. Two public school examination failures last year were due to the word "field" being spelled "feild," and in both cases it was discovered that the inability to spell this identical word had gone against the boys on almost every former examination.—Springfield (Mass.) Union.

GREAT TRADE BALANCE.

AMERICA SHOULD BECOME THE RICHEST COUNTRY ON EARTH.

The Lack of American Ships to Carry Our Own Commerce Compels the Payment of $300,000,000 Every Year to the Owners of Foreign Vessels.

The January record of the foreign trade of the United States shows a continued increase of exports and a decrease of imports, and a constantly augmenting trade balance in favor of this country. In addition, the foreign trade figures for the seven months of the fiscal year ending with January—six of the seven months being those in which the Dingley tariff was in full operation—show a heavy increase both in the volume of exports and the credit balance of 1898 as compared with the corresponding period of 1897.

Our exports of domestic products for last month aggregated the very high total of $106,761,524, or at the rate of $1,280,000,000 a year. Adding the re-exports of foreign goods, the grand total of our export trade was $108,489,455, an increase of $14,537,572 over our total exports in January, 1897, while the gain in our foreign shipments of American products and manufactures was $14,287,242 for last month.

Imports of foreign goods, on the other hand, show a slight decline, $551,109, as compared with January, 1897. The was a decrease of $5,185,640 in the imports of foreign goods that are admitted free of duty and a gain of $4,634,531 in the value of dutiable imports.

For the seven months of the current fiscal year ending with January our foreign trade shows an increase of $63,258,823 in exports and a decrease of $22,657,628 in imports, thus making a gain of $85,916,451 in our favorable trade balance as compared with the corresponding months of the last fiscal year. During the seven months of the current year we have sold $340,000,000 more of American products and manufactures than we purchased of foreign goods. Our imports of goods admitted free of duty have decreased by $9,802,136 during the seven months of this fiscal year, as compared with the corresponding period in the 1896-97 fiscal year, while our imports of dutiable goods have diminished to the extent of $12,955,492.

The fact that America's trade balance for the sixth month of the Dingley tariff amounted to $57,685,546, or at the rate of nearly $700,000,000 a year, while for the seven months ending with January the actual gross trade balance was $377,815,561, constitutes a most extraordinary demonstration of the workings of the American policy of protection. Sharply in contrast with this showing is a balance of trade against Great Britain amounting to $785,000,000 for the calendar year 1897. In other words, while the United States is gaining in wealth at the rate of $700,000,000 a year under the workings of a protective tariff, Great Britain, enjoying all the "superior advantages" of free trade, has bought nearly $800,000,000 more than she has sold. At this rate it will not be far beyond the beginning of the Twentieth Century when the commercial, industrial and financial supremacy of the world will be transferred from Great Britain to the United States.

Provided, however, some steps are taken to establish and maintain an American merchant marine. Unless this be done, our big trade balances will be more imaginary than real, for from every annual excess of exports over imports must be deducted the $300,000,000 which the United States pays each year to foreign ship owners for the transportation of American commerce. If this large sum of money were paid instead to American ship owners and sailors, to say nothing of the vast amount of capital that would be invested in labor and material in the building of American ships in which to carry American commerce, then, indeed, would the commercial and financial supremacy of the world be permanently transferred from Great Britain to America within a very few years from the beginning of the twentieth century.

VAST BENEFITS TO LABOR.

Increased Employment Furnished and Wages Paid For the Year 1897.

Convincing testimony as to the improved condition of organized labor is given by Commissioner John T. McDonough of the New York State Bureau of Labor Statistics in his annual report. According to this report, on March 31 last 927 labor organizations reported a total membership of 142,670. At the close of the next quarter, June 30, 975 unions reported a membership of 151,206, and on September 30, 1009 organizations reported 167,454 members, of whom 5702 were women. The increase in the number of organizations reporting for the third quarter was mainly due to more complete returns.

On March 31, 43,631 members of unions were reported as out of work at that time, or 36.6 per cent. Three months later, on June 30, 27,378 were returned as unemployed, or 18.1 per cent., while on September 30, 23,230 were so reported, or 13.9 per cent.

Reports as to the number of days each member worked show that during the first quarter the average number of days of work per member was for men, 58; for women, 63. In the second quarter it was 69 for men and 57 for women, while for the third quarter it was 67 for men and 66 for women.

From the increase of the number of days each male member of a trade's union worked from fifty-eight days in the first quarter to sixty-nine in the second and sixty-seven in the third quarters of the year 1897, as well as from the marked decrease in the percentage of the unemployed—36.6 per cent. on the 31st of March, 18.1 per cent. on the 30th of June, and 13.9 per cent. on the 30th of September—the conclusion is plain that there has been an enormous increase in the gross aggregate of employment and wages during this year of protection to industries and to labor.

What is true of New York is true of every State in the Union. In some of the States—for example, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Indiana, Ohio and Illinois—the full statistics would doubtless show a still larger increase in the percentage of employment furnished and wages paid.

The total sum for the wage-earning and wage-paying classes of the whole United States would, if obtainable, present a gain for the year amounting to many hundreds of millions of dollars.

Gigantic sums are needed to measure the total benefits already wrought by the American policy of protection.

THE WEIGHT OF WEAPONS.

How Germany Would Suffer in a Tariff War With This Country.

In his speech at the banquet of the Michigan Club in Detroit, February 22, Senator Davis, of Minnesota, Chairman of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, asked for a suspension of judgment in the tragic affair of the Maine explosion at Havana, and added:

"But, if our darkest suspicions are found to be correct, then I assure you that the administration of William McKinley will not be found wanting is action. Does any one suppose that McKinley, the soldier boy, his Cabinet and the Senate of the United States look lightly upon such a great issue?"

Turning his attention in another direction, Senator Davis said:

"We have relations with Germany of a harassing character. She thinks free trade would be the thing for sugar. She has excluded fruits and is to exclude American horses. What is our redress? If I were President of the United States I would not hesitate to put into effect the law by which the products of that country can be prohibited from importation."

The American people are showing day by day a restraint of revengeful impulse and a conservative disposition to await the results of an investigation that shall determine the true cause of the Havana horror that command the admiration of the civilized world. But when action is needed, if that time shall come, no one need anticipate that the administration of President McKinley will be lacking in vigor and promptness.

This is a distinctively American administration in all respects, and that fact means much in the event of foreign complications of any character. That it may mean much to Germany should it be proven that American products are being excluded unfairly and under false pretenses can be inferred from the facts of the case. Under the law of 1890 the President is empowered to punish any and all discrimination against American products by the absolute prohibition of the importation into the United States of the country so offending.

How heavily this penalty would fall upon Germany is seen in the fact that during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1897, the United States was a purchaser of German manufactures to the extent of $111,862,552. In any game of tariff retaliation as between the United States and Germany the latter would be the principal sufferer. The weight of weapons is all on our side.

Before and After.

BEFORE TAKING.

AFTER TAKING.

Some Practical Results.

New Jersey has greatly benefited by the new tariff. Pottery importation increased fifty per cent. under the Wilson law, and decreased about fifty per cent. under the Dingley law. The importation of silk flax and other similar goods decreased about forty per cent. in the five months of 1897. In glass and glassware South Jersey is benefited to the extent of fifty per cent. The new tariff law has already proved a conspicuous success. You can always hereafter count New Jersey among the Republican tariff States of the Union.—Newark Advertiser.

Ferris's Ashes Held For Debt.

The remains of George W. G. Ferris, known throughout the world for his darling invention and construction of the great Ferris wheel at the Chicago World's Fair, are still held at the crematory of Undertaker Samson, in Pittsburg, Penn., for the unpaid funeral expenses contracted over a year ago. Mr. Ferris was practically penniless at his death, but carried insurance to the amount of $25,000. This, it is said, was more than eaten up by the numerous claims left.

No War in Cuba, Says Spain.

Spain has never recognized the existence of a state of war in Cuba.

WE BUY TWO CRUISERS.

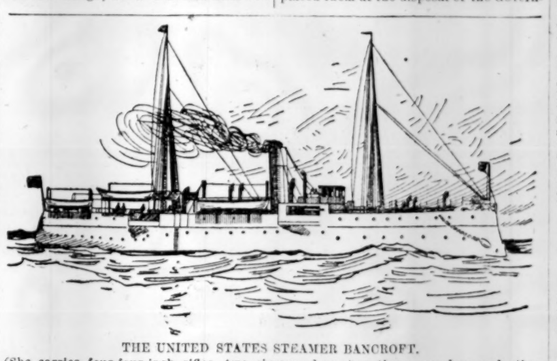
The Warships Amazonas and Abrouall Secured From Brazil.

NOW FLYING THE AMERICAN FLAG.

Spain Suddenly Orders Her Torpedo Flotilla to Cross the Ocean—United States Gunboats Helena and Bancroft Leave Lisbon and Steam on a Southwesterly Course After the Spaniards.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—The prudent and patriotic action of Congress in voting the appropriation of $50,000,000 for the National defense bore its first notable fruit Monday, when the Administration was able to announce the addition by purchase of two new and efficient warships to the available American fleet. The new vessels which are now flying the Stars and Stripes are the twin cruisers Amazonas and Almirante Abrouall, just completed by the Armstrongs at Newcastle, England, for the Republic of Brazil. Both are practically ready for sea, and will be manned as soon as possible with American crews and brought to this country to reinforce the Atlantic fleet.

Though not entirely filling the gap made in the United States Navy by the loss of the Maine, the two cruisers will add materially to this country's effective naval strength, while their acquisition absolutely blocks in one quarter Spain's eager effort to augment by purchase her present available fleet. The two new cruisers, which are of the general type of the Cincinnati and the Raleigh, will be renamed after two



THE UNITED STATES STEAMER BANCROFT.

(She carries four four-inch rifles, two six-pounders, two three-pounders and other guns. With the Helena she could make things lively for the Spanish flotilla, whose armament has been crippled to make room for stores.)

American cities not yet represented in the naval list. Their displacement is 3450 tons, and they carry batteries of six-inch guns. The purchase price of each is supposed to have been between $1,750,000 and $2,000,000.

The Almirante Abrouall will not be completed at Elswick, England, for at least two weeks, but the American flag has been hoisted on her at once, in order that no complication shall arise to cause her detention in case of an unexpected declaration of war. The Amazonas is at Newcastle ready to sail, and as soon as Admiral Howell can send a draft of men from Lisbon to her she will fly her new colors.

In addition to strengthening the navy the Administration decided to push at once the work of fortifying the Dry Tortugas as a possible base of naval supplies in case of a rupture with Spain. By order of the President $500,000 of the emergency fund of $50,000,000 was set aside for use in putting both the Dry Tortugas and Key West in readiness for depot uses. Of this sum $400,000 will be spent immediately in enlarging the storage facilities at Dry Tortugas, and $100,000 will be devoted to the port of Key West. It is expected by the naval authorities that an expenditure of $500,000 will be sufficient to put both stations in a proper state of defense, and so increase their capacity for naval rendezvous purposes that they can serve as a base for a campaign of any duration against the Spanish possessions in the West Indies.

The detachment of the Helena and the Bancroft from the European station, one to reinforce the Key West fleet, and the other to join the "flying squadron" at Hampton Roads, is taken here as a significant development in the naval programme now being worked out under the guidance of the Administration. Neither the Bancroft nor the Helena could be considered powerful enough to be left alone on a distant station, and the recall of both to this side of the Atlantic must be considered a precautionary measure dictated alike by prudence and forethought. The San Francisco, which remains alone at Lisbon, will also be summoned to reinforce one of the home squadrons at an early date.

President McKinley, it is said, is planning to end the crisis with Spain by diplomacy or force, leaving Spain to choose the alternative—peace or war. The President hopes Congress will speedily adjourn after the Maine Court of Inquiry report is received. The settlement of the entire question would then be left to the Executive. The explanation given is the revival of the proposition to purchase Cuba in a new form. The suggestion now is to have a great syndicate of American and European capitalists organized for this purpose. Men who control the finances of the world believe they can end the war in Cuba and prevent a war between Spain and the United States by guaranteeing Cuba's war debt. Former Governor Levi P. Morton, of New York State, is said to be deeply interested in this movement to preserve international peace. He has been in Washington in frequent conference with the President and Sir Julian Pauncefote and has met the Spanish Minister.

SPAIN'S TORPEDO FLEET SAILS.

Boats Leave Cadiz, and the Helena and Bancroft Sail From Lisbon.

CADIZ, Spain (By Cable).—The Spanish torpedo squadron has sailed from this port. It is understood the Spanish warships are going to Puerto Rico, where they will await the orders of Captain-General Blanco. Enthusiastic crowds of people gathered at Cadiz to bid farewell to the vessels.

The United States gunboats Helena and Bancroft sailed on the same day from Lisbon, Portugal, going in a southwesterly direction. This departure of the United States warships may be connected with the simultaneous departure of the Spanish squadron from Cadiz, which is on the southwestern coast of Spain. Rumors have had it that the Bancroft and Helena might follow the Spanish ships across the Atlantic.

The Bancroft was launched at Elizabeth, N. J., in 1892. Like the Helena, she has a steel hull and a twin screw, and she is a cruiser, but her displacement is only 838 tons. She is 180 feet in length, 32 feet beam and her maximum draught is 11 feet 6 inches. She is of 1213 indicated horse-power, which will drive her at the rate of 14.37 knots an hour. Her armament consists of four 4-inch quick-firing guns, two 6-pounders, two 3-pounders, one 1-pounder, two Maxim guns and two torpedo tubes. Her normal coal supply is 200 tons.

PUTTING THE VESUVIUS IN TRIM.

Expected to Be the Most Effective Fighter in the Navy.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (Special).—It is stated that the Vesuvius will leave shortly for Norfolk for repairs to her loading apparatus, the compressed air apartments of the big dynamite guns.

Orders were received here to at once place the vessel in fighting trim. Ten or twelve tons of ammunition are on the way, and Captain Pilsbury was directed to clear ship and make room for this.

It is known also that several six-inch rapid-fire guns will be mounted amidship, with heavy armored shields. At present her three three-pounders are the only battery she has to supplement her powerful dynamite throwers.

The pneumatic dynamite guns are the main dependence of the Vesuvius, say her officers. At from a three to a five-mile range a light charge can be hurled with great accuracy, while at from one and a half to two miles the aim is certain. No man-of-war, it is declared, could float within seventy-five yards of where a dynamite shell fell.

In case of hostilities the officers say the Vesuvius will be the most effective vessel in the navy. She is so low in the water and is so narrow that she would present a very small mark for the enemy.

AUXILIARY CRUISER BOARD.

Vessels Available For War Purposes Considered.

NEW YORK CITY (Special).—Sixty-three steamships, the choicest vessels of the American merchant marine, have been placed at the disposal of the United States Government. Representatives of the owners appeared before the special Auxiliary Cruiser board, which met in this city, and offered their ships. Little desire for pecuniary gain was shown. The vessels offered are capable of carrying nearly 1000 guns. Members of the special board examined the American liners St. Louis and New York.

A large number of owners of vessels have placed them at the disposal of the Government, and a long list is ready for selections to be made. On the big ocean liners six-inch guns can be placed, and on smaller ones four-inch guns. Some of the artillery necessary for arming them is already at the Navy Yard.

RUSH ORDER FOR POWDER.

The Schaghticoke Company Begins Working Full Forces to Supply 100 Tons.

TROY, N. Y. (Special).—The Schaghticoke Powder Company has received a rush order for 100 tons of powder from the Government at Washington. Work on the order will be commenced at once, and the men will go to work at the powder mills at sunrise and work until sunset. This schedule is necessary, owing to the rule of the company to allow no lights in the mills.

The works are the largest for the manufacture of powder in the country, and their full capacity will be tested in filling this order. The Government has asked that the powder be shipped in small lots of a ton each, so that it can be at the disposal of the War and Navy departments immediately.

Are Both Kaisers Against Us?

LONDON, England (By Cable).—The Paris correspondent of the London Times says: "According to information obtained from good sources, the Austrian Emperor is making great efforts to induce the European powers to present to the United States the danger to Europe of their carrying any further their interference in Cuban affairs.

"Emperor William is warmly seconding the efforts of Emperor Francis Joseph. The American Government is aware of this situation."

FAMOUS DYNAMITE CRUISER VESUVIUS.

(She has been put into trim, and is expected to be the most effective fighter in the United States Navy.)

The Oregon Taking War Stores.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal. (Special).—The battleship Oregon is lying in the stream with scows all about her. From two of the scows coal is being discharged, from another powder is being hoisted on board the warship, and from a fourth shells for the big guns. The ultimate destination of the Oregon is presumably the Atlantic Coast. She is taking in 100 tons of coal, which, it is figured, will carry her to Callao. She will await orders at Valparaiso.

Killed by Fellow Insurgents.

HAVANA, Cuba (By Cable).—Colonel Alvarez, Major Nunez and Major Espinoza, of the insurgent army, according to the report of the military commander of Santa Clara, have been killed by other insurgents, who had learned of their intention of surrendering to the Spaniards. This news produced a sensation in Madrid, where it was looked on as evidence that many of the insurgents were ready to lay down their arms.

Senator Proctor Reports.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—Senator Proctor, who has just returned from Cuba, spent considerable time with Secretary Alger and General Miles, and then for two hours was in close conference with the President, telling them what he had learned of the situation in Cuba. It is understood that he gave General Miles some suggestions about military warfare in Cuba if that should become necessary.

No British Ships For Sale.

LONDON, England (By Cable).—Under-Foreign Secretary Curzon announced in Parliament that Great Britain has not offered her warships to us for use if we go to war with Spain, but he declined to answer Mr. Davitt's further questions asking whether Great Britain desired an Anglo-American alliance.

Spain's Merchant Navy.

MADRID, Spain (By Cable).—The Spanish naval reserve or merchant navy, according to the Marine Minister's figures just given out, consists of 552 steamers and 1125 sailing vessels above fifty tons burden; 372 steamers and 69,697 craft of less than fifty tons, with crews aggregating more than 200,000 men.

Torpedo Boat Winslow at Key West.

KEY WEST, Fla. (Special).—The torpedo boat Winslow has arrived from Charleston, having made the longest run ever made by a torpedo boat without touching at a port or coaling.

For Governor of Rhode Island.

The Democrats of Rhode Island nominated Daniel L. Church, of Tiverton, for Governor on a local-issue platform.

EX-PRESIDENT CLEVELAND'S VIEWS.

At Such a Time as This Every Loyal Citizen Should Support the Government.

A representative of the Associated Press called at Westland, near Princeton, N. J., the home of ex-President Grover Cleveland, for the purpose of obtaining an interview with Mr. Cleveland on the Maine affair and the relations between this country and Spain. Mr. Cleveland at first declined to express any opinion. "I should only be misunderstood," he said. "I have been resting here quietly since leaving Washington, and I do not wish to say or do anything which may be construed in any way as a comment upon public affairs."

Finally, however, Mr. Cleveland made this statement: "Though I have no wish to be interviewed, you may state for me that, in common with others, I think every patriotic citizen ought to loyally support the Government during a period of trial like the present, no matter what exigencies may arise. I will also say that I hope that the present difficulties will be settled without bloodshed. It is possible that an honorable way out will be found eventually, and that there will be no war."

Mr. Cleveland said he preferred to reserve all comments on the possible and probable outcome of the Maine affair until after the publication of the report of the Board of Inquiry.

SHOT IN A WASHINGTON STREET.

Dennis J. Canty, Formerly a Government Clerk, Kills George Rye.

Dennis J. Canty, formerly a clerk of the Interstate Commerce Commission and later a partner of Herman Van Senden, private secretary to Secretary Carlisle in the last Administration, in the stock and grain brokerage business, shot and killed George Rye, a speculator, whose home is in the West, in front of the Ebbitt House, Washington. It is assumed that the killing grew out of some stock transactions, and perhaps may have been connected with the failure several months ago of Canty & Van Senden. The firm was not a member of the New York Stock Exchange, but did a considerable business among the smaller class of speculators.

It is said that there had been bad feeling between the men for some time, and that Rye had threatened Canty's life. While Canty was standing near Fourteenth and F streets, in front of the Ebbitt House, he was approached by Rye, who, Canty's friends say, made a threatening demonstration with a knife. Canty drew a revolver. As he brought it out Rye backed away from him, and when he fell, pierced by two of the four bullets Canty had fired, he was about twenty feet distant from his slayer. Canty was arrested and taken to the First Precinct Station.

MRS. THURSTON DIES IN CUBA.

The Senator's Wife Expires on the Anita at Sagua La Grande.

Consul-General Lee received the following telegram at Havana, from Walter B. Barker, United States Consul-General at Sagua la Grande:

"The wife of Senator Thurston, of Nebraska, died on the Anita Monday. Shall give every attention and wire you from Boca."

Meagre advices say that Mrs. Thurston died from apoplexy about 8 o'clock a. m., when the yacht was in sight of port.

Senator and Mrs. Thurston were members of the party, the others of which were Senators Gallinger and Money and Representatives Amos J. Cummings and William Alden Smith and their wives, that went to Cuba for the purpose of making a personal investigation of affairs in the island.

Mrs. Thurston was in excellent health when she left Washington, having taken an active part in the annual convention of the Daughters of the American Revolution, which met before her departure. Before her marriage she was Miss Martha Poland, a niece of Luke Poland, of Vermont, prominent years ago in the House of Representatives.

THE PATENTS OF 1897.

Figures From the Annual Report of the Commissioner.

The annual report of the Commissioner of Patents for the calendar year 1897 was laid before Congress Monday. It is dated January 31, and was prepared by Assistant Commissioner A. P. Greeley, who was Acting Commissioner for several months preceding the death of the late Commissioner Butterworth. The report contains the following statistics:

Applications	45,661
Patents granted	23,729
Patents reissued	65
Trade-marks registered	1,671
Patents expiring	12,926
Expenditures	$1,122,843
Excess of receipts over expenditures	252,798
Credit balance	4,971,438

Connecticut still leads in the number of patents issued to residents of any State. Next in order are Massachusetts, District of Columbia, New Jersey, Rhode Island, New York. To residents of England 706 patents were issued, to residents of Germany, 551; Canada, 286, and France, 222.

CARNAGE IN THE PHILIPPINES.

Madrid Reports That 500 Rebels Were Killed at Balinao.

According to an official dispatch received at Madrid from Manila, capital of the Philippine Islands, 500 insurgents were killed during the siege of Balinao. The dispatch adds that the insurgent forces have not offered any resistance to the Spanish troops sent to the relief of the garrison.

A detachment of Spanish troops was surprised by the rebels and forty were massacred, while the garrisons and priests of the neighboring villages were dispersed or killed. General Moret relieved Balinao after five engagements.

The province of Tarlac, Pangasinan and Zambales are in open rebellion, and it is feared others will follow their lead. It is reported that Aguinaldo and other rebel leaders have landed from Hong Kong with six thousand troops. Artillery has been sent to the province within the last three days, and at Manila new troops are left. The situation throughout is critical.

German Officers Assaulted.

A German captain of Customs Guards and one of his subordinates crossed the French frontier near Nancy, advancing fifteen yards beyond the boundary line. A body of French workmen attempted to arrest the Germans, one of the workmen striking the German officer with a stick. The officer drew his sword, and ordered his subordinate to load his rifle. Both of the customs officers then withdrew to the boundary, where they stopped and confronted the Frenchmen. The affair is being investigated.

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The Modern Agnostic.

We look at our churches with their congregations, growing in numbers and dwindling in faith, says H. G. Chapman in The Atlantic, and we ask ourselves: In all these buildings, cheap or costly, what real prayers rise, and of those that rise do any get above the roof? What God hears them and has there ever been an answered prayer? We look at the face of the dead and repeat a burial service. If after the manner of men I have fought with beasts at Ephesus, what advantageth it me if the dead rise not? And as we say the words we ask ourselves, "Do the dead rise?" And if any one is found who believes these things he knows that there is another at his elbow who believes them not a whit or an atom, and these two can hit on no universe that shall satisfy both, nor can one be poet to the other.

A Timely Friend.

With perfect propriety may we call that excellent remedy, Salvation Oil, a timely friend. This liniment rapidly cures rheumatism, neuralgia and pains, when other remedies fail. Mr. Jno. M. Hall, Ashland, Va., writes: "I suffered with rheumatism in the ankle and the muscles connected therewith. Salvation Oil at once relieved the soreness, reduced the swelling, and cured the pain. No other liniment that I ever used did me so much good."

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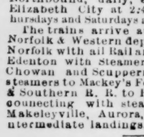

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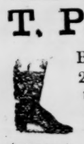

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This action of Congress is an official declaration of National unification as significant as the original Declaration of Independence. While one declared that "these united colonies are, and are of right ought to be, free and independent States" the other establsshes that under the new order of things we are more than ever one Nation and one people.

STUFF AND NONSENSE.

All the talk about the European nations taking up arms with Spain as against the United States is mere stuff and nonsense. There isn't a European nation that hasn't got all it can do in attending to its own affairs, and there isn't one that would care to sacrifice its trade interests in America by entering into an alliance with the Spanish Government. Perhaps the powers of Europe might sympathize with Spain in the hopeless plight into which she has plunged herself, but none of them is so self-sacrificing as to drag the Spanish chesnuts out of the fire merely because they happen to be burning.

MORE CASH IF WANTED.

It is a notable fact that the United States assigns $50,000,000 for the National defense without the issuance of a bond, without mcurring an obligation, without appealing to Wall street or to the Rothschilds. It is but four years since, under a Democratic administration, without a threat of war, our government was begging money and selling bonds in time of peace to make up the deficiency of a revenue law that stabbed at the very vitals of domestic industry. Now the overflowing coffers of the National Treasury meet the demand of the moment with the declaration that there are millions more cash to spare if they are wanted.

COLDLY ACCEPTED.

The fusion proposition which Chairmen Butler, Jones and Towne put forth in their remarkable addresses to the country some weeks ago has been coldly accepted by Populists all over the country, who see in it a continuation of the policy of wrecking the Populist party in the interest of a few men who thus utilize it to gain assistance from the Democrats and perpetuate themselves in office.

The Department of Justice at Washington, has closed a contract with the Superintendent at Raleigh, for the maintenance of United States convicts from Virginia, North Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Tennessee, Mississippi, Florida and Louisiana. It is expected this Spring term of Courts will sentence 1000 to be sent to the Penetentiary at Raleigh.

"Better that my administration should be an ignominious failure than that it should be responsible for an unholy war," said President McKinley in talking with a Senator a few days ago. That expresses his feeling about the matter, and it does equal honor to him as a patriot and as a Christian.

The Statician of the Department of Agriculture estimates that the farmers of the United States received 85,000,000 more for the products of their toil in 1897 than in 1896. That is why they are paying off mortgages and buying farm implements with such cheerful ardor.

The exploded falsehood against the Dingley law is the charge that it was framed in the interest of the Sugar Trust. Within six months after the passage of the law the Sugar Trust stock quotations declined from 159 to 120.

Fifty millions for defense—and there is plenty more to be had whenever it is needed! This sort of business speaks the language of peace with wonderful fluency.

President McKinley, by his wisdom and superior Statesmanship in dealing with the Cuban situation, is winning the praises of thoughtful men of all parties throughout the country.

KEEP THE TOOLS IN PLACE.

Tools on the farm may be costly when they are not kept in place. When the hurry or work comes the implement most required may be out its location—really lost—and a new one must then be procured, Some implements may then need repairs, which should have been procured weeks before. Cases are known in which farmers who have changed locations found themselves loaded with tools that they did not suppose they had, the clearing up of goods for removal bringing to light those that had been put in some out of the way place. Another careless class of farmers is that which stores the tools in places so safe that they forget them, and though intending to be careful they endeavor to keep in remembrance the location which they cannot recall. The inventory of farm implements and tools once or twice a year would change such conditions.

When Congress adjourns it will be with the full approval of the President, and because he feels entirely capable of dealing effectively with Spanish affair in his own way. Congress won't run away and leave him without having first provided him with abundant means of meeting every emergency.

If the prompt and decided refusal to even consider the withdrawal of Consul General Lee from Havana does not furnish sufficient evidence that President McKinley's backbone is of the old fashioned kind Spain can provoke other proofs whenever she wishes them.

One party, numbering 500 able-bodied Chippewa Indians, have volunteered their services to the Government in the event of a war with Spain. If a clash should come these loyal red men would doubtless impart a good deal of their own color to the proceedings.

Senator Pritchard has extended an invitation to the President to attend the celebration of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence at Charlotte, May 20th. The President said he would attend if his duties permitted.

A meeting of the stockholders of the Roanoke Colony Memorial Association, will be held at Edenton on the 27th of April.

The Republic of Cuba will be able to refer to the time that tried men's souls, and will value its freedom when it remembers the cost.

Within the past four months the Nebraska farmers have paid off more than $2,000,000 of moftgage indebtedness.

Spain's 4 per cent bonds are worth 50 cents on the dollar in the London market, but they may not be worth it very long.

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

Washington, Mch. 18, 1898.

General Grosvenor's explicit denial was not needed to convince the public that there was not a word of truth in the statement that President McKinley was anxious for Congress to finish the appropriation bills and adjourn, in order that he might settle the Cuban question without interference from Congress. President McKinley has never regarded Congress as an impediment; on the contrary, he has from the day of his inauguration treated every Senator and Representative as advisers upon whom he had a right to depend, and upon whom he has depended right along In fact, no President has ever more fully recognized Congress as a co-ordinate branch of the government. Instead of desiring Congress to adjourn and leave him to handle the Cuban question single-handed, President McKinley desires Congress to remain in session and assist him in settling the Cuban question properly.

If the situation were not so critical Spain's attempt to make this country responsible, in the eyes of Europe, for the failure of autonomy in Cuba, by charging that failure to the presence of our fleet of warships at Key West, would be amusing. As it is, it merely adds an additional complication to an already much complicated condition of affairs. President McKinley did not assemble that fleet at Key West to please Spain, nor did he place the country on a war footing to please Spain, and he will not disperse that fleet or call a halt in the preparations for war to please Spain, or any other European power or powers. He is preparing to defend our National honor, against Spain, and against the world, if necessary.

The annual banquets of the survivors of the Second Army Corps have always been noted for the patriotism expressed by the speakers, and at that held this week the circumstances naturally made the speakers even more patriotic than usual. Representative Brosius, of Pennsylvania, responded to the toast, "The Head of the Nation," in a highly creditable speech setting forth the commendable action of the President during the present critical period, and the extraordinary confidence he has aroused in the hearts of the people, and predicting that his future actions would be such that he would retain the universal confidence now placed in him, whether they led to war or to peace, and concluding with: "This homage I cheerfully and lovingly pay the head of the nation; a typical American; a grand man, and a safe custodian under all circumstances of the interests and honor of the republic. Long live the head of the nation!" Representative Belknap, of Illinois, responded to the toast, "The Land we Love," by showing that it was only a few cold-blooded cynics who believed that patriotism was dying or love of country diminishing; and Representative Hull, of Iowa, did full justice to the toast, "Our National Defenders on Land and Sea." Gen. Nelson A Miles, once Commander of the Corps, now Commander of the entire Army, responded to the toast, "The Second Army Corps." The closing sentences of his speech were as follows: "Uncle Sam fired a gun up at the Capitol the other day—a fifty million dollar gun—that sent a thrill of patriotism througout this land and re-echoed all over the world. And Mr. McKinley was made to understand that if fifty millions was not enough to defend this country and its honor, he might add another cipher to the right of the figures, and the money was his. It was the grandest exhibition that a Congress ever gave that, slumbering deep in their hearts, is a loyalty, patriotism and spirit of sacrifice never equaled in any legislative body on the face of God's earth. Is there to be war? I hope not. I, as a warrior, would not like to see a war begin with two or three Bull Runs, but would rather have Appomattox instead. But if war shall come, we would be ready to make the conflict short, sharp and decisive."

The House Naval Committee has decided to prove in the naval appropriation bill for the construction of five new dry docks to be located at Portsmouth, N. H., Boston, Mass., League Island, near Philadelphia, Pa., Algiers, near New Orleans, La., and Mare Island, near San Francisco, Cal. Present indications are that the committee will also provide for the building of some small fighting ships, in addition to the three battleships already provided for.

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Hoist on Their Petard.

Ashville Register.

When the last legislature was about to pass what is known as the machinery act, some idiot or scoundrel slipped in a couple of sections which were very unjust and very obnoxious, and it seems that when the bill passed these sections were a part of it. The men who had the bill in charge, and who were responsible to the State and to their party for the good or its evil, never once dreamed that it contained such provisions, and were dumbfounded when they discovered it after the legislature had adjourned. The Democratic politicians and papers went into hysterics when the act was published. They denounced in language both vigorous and violent the majority in the legislature for passing such a law they declared it was done deliberately and maliciously; and that the poor delinquent tax payer must go to jail for non-payment of taxes, and so on to an endless extent. Those who prepared the bill, had charge of it, and engineered it through the General Assembly, denied that it was intended to contain such provisions; that no man ever once suggested such a penalty; that in fact the sections did not refer to property and poll taxes; but if by any sort of strained construction they could be so construed, the act avers unconstitutional. Finally a test case was carried before the Supreme Court, and that tribunal decided that a man could not be imprisoned for the non-payment of taxes.

Then it was that these same fellows played a different chord They denounced the majority party in the legislature for the stupidity of its members; they declared they were too ignorant to enact a constitutional law; that the law was invalid because the men who passed it were strangers to the constitution and ignormuses in general.

Now, they ought not to object to being measured by their own yard stick. At different times Democratic legislatures of North Carolina undertook to authorize certain counties in the State to issue bonds for certain purposes. Buncome county was one of them. The State constitution requires that bills authorizing the expenditure of money shall be read three separate times on three separate days before passing. This important provision of the organic law of our State was ignored when these bills authorizing these several counties to issue bonds were passed by these Democratic legislators—hence this wave of repudiation. Now it is evident that these Democratic legislators were vicious or stupid. They intentionally left a loophole for the counties to escape the payment of their honest obligations or they were ignorant of the provisions of the constitution of the State. And thus these Democratic critics are hoisted on their own petard. What have they got to say about it?

Beats the Klondike.

Mr. A. C. Thomas, of Marysville, Tex., has feund a more valuable discovery than has yet been made in Klondike. For years he suffered untold agony from consumption, accompanied hemorrhages; and was absolutely cured by Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. He declares that gold is of little value in comparison with its marvelous cure; would have it even if it cost a hundred dollars a bottle. Asthma, Bronchitis and all throat and lung affections are positively cured by Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. Trial bottles at A. Wadsworth's drug store free Regular size 50c and $1.00. Guaranteed to cure or price refunded.

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ONE OF TWO WAYS.

The bladder was created for one purpose, namely, a receptacle for the urine, and as such it is not liable to any form of disease except by one of two ways. The first way is from imperfect action of the kidneys. The second is from careless local treatment of other diseases.

CHIEF CAUSE.

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A DUEL IN THE SNOW.

The Incident Upon Which Was Founded Gerome's Beautiful Picture.

Every one has seen the engraving of Gerome's beautiful but sadly effective picture, "A Duel In the Snow." Through the mist of early morning one antagonist is lying on his back on the sward, while his adversary, leaning on a friend's arm, is slowly walking away from the scene of the encounter. Both are wearing the masquerading costume of a Pierrot. In a thicket a carriage waits to drive off with the successful opponent.

There is every reason to believe, from recently disclosed information by M. Alfred Darimon, that in portraying on canvas that impressive episode the artist was not influenced by solely imaginative caprice, but that he has reproduced a scene in real life.

The facts are as follows: The duelists were M. Jules Brame, a former minister of public instruction under the second empire, and M. D. D., a well known journalist on the staff of one of the most influential newspapers in the north of France. When the duel occurred, both were studying for the bar. One Shrove Tuesday they, in company with friends, had repaired to a restaurant on the Boulevard with a view of enjoying a good dinner and afterward of going to the masquerade ball at the Opera. They all agreed to go as Pierrots. As they all wore masks some one suggested that they should adopt some distinctive sign by which they could recognize one another in the crowd. D. D. suggested that they should pin a label bearing a number to their backs. The idea was unanimously adopted, and D. D. prepared the labels accordingly. While so doing a diabolical idea came into his head. It was carnival time. Why should he not have his little joke? When it was Jules Brame's turn to have a ticket pinned to his back, his friend D. D. had written in large letters beneath the number, "I am Jules Brame." One can easily imagine what was the result. No sooner had Brame set foot in the main passage to the premiere galerie than he was followed by a lady wearing a mask, who, on his preparing to enter a private box, cried out, "I wish you success, Jules Brame." Later on, on re-entering the passage, he was surrounded by a group of masqueraders, who with one voice shouted out, "Good day, my dear Brame." That proved to him that he was known to every one, although he was puzzled to understand how it could be.

Passing in front of a box opener, the girl burst out laughing. He inquired angrily what she was laughing at. "Why," she replied, "I am laughing at the funny idea which led you to pin a label on your back with your name on it." And, suiting the action to the word, she unpinned the label and handed it to him.

Jules Brame considered the joke not only in bad taste, but insulting. He sought out his comrade, and, finding him in the saloon, he reproached him angrily in the hearing of the crowd, insisting that he should apologize openly then and there. D. D., resenting his friend's attitude toward him, declined to apologize. A duel therefore, in accordance with French habits and customs, was inevitable. Seconds were at once chosen. Short swords were procured, and in their Pierrot costumes the antagonists started for the Bois de Boulogne. Fortunately the duel did not end fatally, as seems to be the case in Gerome's picture, for, although Brame ran his sword right through D. D.'s body, no vital organ was touched. He recovered very quickly, and the two antagonists became fast friends again.—Westminster Gazette.

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Savages at First Contact Regard the Fabric With Suspicion.

When savage people first come in contact with the whites, none of the wonders that they see is regarded with more suspicion than large sheets of paper. The native is apt to regard paper as a sort of cloth, and the fact that it tears easily and is worthless for most of the purposes to which cloth is put convinces him that it is a fraud.

One or two Kongo travelers told of the disgust with which the natives at first regarded paper. The Kongo tribes, by the way, are on the lookout for sharpers, and it is exceedingly hard work for anybody to sell them a bad quality of cutlery or cloth. Savages soon find, however, that paper is not intended to serve the purposes of cloth. Then they cease to look upon it as a fraud, but they do not think it ranks high among white man's manufactures, and they have little use for it.

Some time ago a well known explorer was traveling in the interior of Queensland, Australia, where he met many natives who had never seen a white man before.

One day a crowd of natives was in the white man's camp carefully inspecting the explorer and his baggage when a newspaper happened to drop out of his pocket.

The natives unfolded and spread it out on the ground. They decided that it must be an article of wearing apparel, and one of them tried it on. He wrapped it round his shoulders like a shawl and sat down on the ground, arranging his covering this way and that and watching the faces of the crowd to see what they thought of his elegant garment, covered as it was with many thousands of curious marks.

Presently, however, an accident happened. While the savage was rearranging his shawl and trying to bring the corners together in front of him the garment began to tear at the nape of his neck. A howl from the crowd called attention to the disaster. The blanket, or whatever it was, was evidently made of the poorest sort of material.

The savage took his covering off, examined the mischief he had wrought, made the tear a little longer and then with his finger poked a hole through the paper.

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Here is a recipe for turkey and chicken stuffing which the sender says is very different in its results from those given in the cookbooks:

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This dressing is also excellent for roast leg of pork when you do not want to simulate duck or goose with it.

"The recipe for the good old English stuffing for ducks or geese," the sender adds, "I never see in our cookbooks and do not find it used upon my neighbors' tables. People spoil these birds with soft bread and muss."

This is the old recipe for stuffing for geese, ducks or a leg of pork:

Take equal parts of parboiled potatoes cut into inch square cubes and onions cut up. Strain dry, add pepper and salt and sage leaves crushed up. Prepare enough of the mixture to fill the pork or birds with it and to lay some of it under them in the roasting pan. Keep this extra filling under the birds. Dish it separately and serve it at the table with the rest.—New York Sun.

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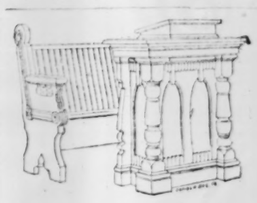

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It is stated that the Lock in the Canal at South Mills will be completed within 30 days.

The planted crops are growing rapidly now. The weather has been favorable.

We are unable to account for the delay in the Supreme Court's decision in relation to the Water Works.

Mayor Banks has received a letter from a Furniture manufacturer in Ohio in relation to removing his Factory here.

The reports from the Fisheries are that the Gill nets are almost a failure, while Pound nets never did better.

Perquimans Court at Hertford next week. Business engagements will prevent us from making our usual semi-annual visit. Our subscribers will please remit by mail.

We learn that our countyman Mr. C. C. Thompson's Horse Bay Line won the best race at the Newberne Fair, against Nubbin W., of South Carolina, and Belle M., of Georgia.

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On the 15th inst, at the home of the bride, on Factory Avenue in the Fifth Ward, Mr. Charles Forest was married to Miss Annie Morgan. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. Penick, of the Baptist Church.

Bradstreet's Weekly Review says the aggregate volume of the country's business continues sufficiently large to allow of favorable comparisons with past periods alike in this and in preceding years. Encouraging.

A special meeting of the County Commissioners was held on Monday to take action on a petition for a franchise to establish and operate a Ferry from the foot of Main street across the River to Goat Island. After hearing argument for and against the request was not granted.

We acknowledge the receipt of a copy of the "Eleventh Annual Report of the Bureau of Statistics of North Carolina, including the First Annual Report of the Inspector of Mines for the year 1897," with the compliments of James Y. Hamrick, Commissioner.

It is gratifying to know, from the many letters received, that the policy suggested and recommended by the CAROLINIAN is so generally endorsed by the Republicans of the District. Sincerely believing that it is only by and through harmonious Co-operation that we can *surely* win in the coming campaign, we feel it our duty to advocate and urge it.

A subscriber whose time had expired a few weeks ago ordered the paper discontinued. We have just received the following note from him:

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Judge Norwood opened Pasquotank Court here on Monday. His Charge to the Grand Jury was plain, instructive and practical. He is despatching business and is winning the favorable opinion of all as an able lawyer and as being fair and impartial on the Bench. The State docket is larger than usual and there are a number of cases on the Civil docket.

We had a visit the other day from two strangers, young men who introduced themselves as Elders of "The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints," commonly known as Mormons. They were from Utah, of fine address and quite intelligent. They impressed us as being earnest and sincere. They spent several days here calling at differenthomes, distributing tracts, etc. They did not find this a favorable field for their missionary work.

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On Thursday last by Rev. L. L. Williams, Mr. C. E. Huggins jr., of Norfolk, and Miss Annie E. Hall, of Portsmouth, were united in wedlock.

Mr. Frank M. Godfrey jr., will accept our thanks for a copy of a "Handbook of Atlanta." It is handsomely gotten up and is elaborately illustrated.

Bargains in Blankets at Fowler Co.'s. See theirs before buying.

Sample Carpet Rugs from 5c to 25c at Fowler & Co.'s

A Sure Thing for You.

A transaction in which you cannot lose is a sure thing. Biliousness, sick headache, furred tongue, fever, piles and a thousand other ills are caused by constipation and sluggish liver. Cascarets Candy Cathartic, the wonderful new liver stimulant and intestinal tonic are by all druggists guaranteed to cure or money refunded. C. C. C. are a sure thing. Try a box to-day; 10c., 25c., 50c. Sample and booklet free. See our big ad.

A horse trained to walk fast, whether he be for the saddle, single harness or team always commands a better price than one equally good in other respects.

Carpets and Straw Mattings at bottom prices at Fowler & Co.'s

Republicans and Populists in the First District favor manhood suffrage, an honest ballot and a fair count, and the election of County Commissioners and Magistrates by the people. The Democrats oppose them all.

The man who has no happiness in life is one who doesn't wear Moses Weisel's perfect fitting shirts.

It is recommended when you wish to freshen salt fish, like mackerel, or codfish, to be boiled whole, put it in the water with the skin side up. Otherwise the salt, more dense than the water, settles against the skin and it takes longer to freshen.

Its a peach! that $1.25 Overcoats for boys at Moses Weisel's, sizes from 5 to 13 years, with capes.

An Old Idea.

Every day strengthens the belief of eminent physicians that impure blood is the cause of the majority of our diseases. Twenty-five years ago this theory was used as a basis for the formula of Brown's Iron Bitters. The many remarkable cures effected by this famous old household remedy are sufficient to prove that the theory is correct. Browns' Iron Bitters is sold by all dealers.

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How are you off for Blankets We have 'em, the best to be had from 50c the pair to $5. Moses Weisel.

The man who doesn't turn up at Moses Weisel's Gents Furnishing Goods sale is very apt to be turned down by judges of elegant styles.

To an inquiry, "How many different tribes of Indians are there in the United State?" the CAROLINIAN replies that according to the report of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs for 1896 there were then 263 different tribes of Indians in the States and Territories. Many of these were hardly more than a name.

Fowler & Co. struck it right again on Overcoats and Suits. Save money by seeing theirs.

The Arnold-Welles Theatrical Company, billed for a six nights engagement at the Academy last week, performed fairly well and to good houses the first and second nights; but on the third night, owing to the refusal of the star players to act, the performance was so greatly disappointing the owner of the Academy refused to permit them to continue the balance of the week.

It is a hard matter to use water from a newly cemented cistern. The common way is to let it fill up and then stand awhile, then draw the water out and even then the next filling will taste of the cement. Instead of all this labor and waste of time and water, take pearline or salsoda, dissolve it, and scrub the cement thoroughly after it is hard. Then rinse the cistern out clean and remove the water. The cistern will then be ready for the water and will taste very little of the cement, and can be used at once.

A WORD ABOUT BRICK: Everybody needing Brick want a good quality—an article that will wear and last. The Thompson Works manufacture the best for building and all other purposes made in this section. They are well burned and "all right" in every respect. All orders promptly filled. Address F. G Thompson, manager Elizabeth City, N. C

Camden Court occupied the whole of last week. The Dr. Mullen will contest case occupied several days. Isaac Murray was convicted of larceny and sentenced one year to the Penetentiary.

The report of the Maine Court of Inquiry is expected to reach Washington on Thursday. The action of the Government will then be announced. We adhere to the belief that therewill be no war and that Cuba will be free.

The CAROLINIAN holds that it is the province of the good woman to hallow every sphere in which she moves, to diffuse around her a refining influence delicate as the perfume of the rose, or "as if an angel had shaken his wings." She refines that which is coarse, elevates that which is low and base, and purifies that which is corrupt.

LOCAL MENTION

The sun rose this morning at 6:00 and will set to-night at 6:14.—All's well that ends well.—With a few weeks' exception, the streets have been in good condition this winter.—Flowers are beginning to bloom and peach trees to blossom.—We acknowledge a call from Presiding Elder Willis on Wednesday. The balance of his appointments on his second round appears in another column.—Occupation is said to be the scythe of time.—A number of our citizens were seen with sprigs of green on their coat lappels on St. Patrick's Day, and some of Irish birth were heard singing:

O, the Shamrock, the green, immortal Shamrock!
Chosen leaf
Of Bard and Chief,
Old Erin's native Shamrock!

—An old Bachelor thinks that love may be weakness, but it knows its business.—Mr. Roscoe Turner has been off on another visit to Hatteras and vicinity. Some special attraction down that way.—Persistent people begin their success where others end in failure.—Mr. Gaston Pool has returned from a trip to Washington.—It was overheard the other evening: "Do you believe that germs can be transmitted by kissing?" a young man asked his lady companion. "I don't know, but I am very fond of scientific experiments," was her reply. She appeared to be willing to test the matter.—Mr. M. A. Woodburn, Manager of the "Lookout Sewer Pipe Works," of Chattanooga, Tenn., gave us a call a few days ago. He gave us some valuable information about Sewer Pipes, which sooner or later, may be advantageously utilized.—Saith the quiet Observer:

'Tis not the man who really toils,
That makes the greatest row;
'Tis he with nothing else to do,
Who stands around the whole day through,
To tell the others how.

—Mrs. Ball, now of Washington City, is here on a visit to her son, Mr. M. L. Ball, on Ehringhaus street.—Mr. Harry C. Price, recently stricken with paralysis, is gradually improving.—Somebody says that if a man can only keep a girl hating him long enough she is pretty sure to fall in love with him.—Mr. W. J. Hudson, of the Cosmopolitan Club, New York, gave us a call on Thursday.—The Wag wants to know why false bangs on a lady's forehead isn't a dead lock?—Miss Pattie Perry, of South Mills, has come to Elizabeth City to reside.—Mr. Wm. H. Clark, a former prominent citizen and active business man of Elizabeth City, but for a number of years residing at Philadelphia, is again here on a visit. He is accompanied by Mrs. Clark. He gave us a call, as he always does. He expresses himself as especially gratified to see the great progress the town, for which he feels a strong attachment, is making. He says it is simply wonderful. His numerous friends are all glad to see him.—The Poet writes:

Strive to act well our part,
There all the virture lies.
Strive to overlook the faults of others
There all the charity lies,
Strive to overcome evil with good;
There our duty lies.

—Miss Mary Sterling, of Norfolk was here on a short visit last week.—Reprove a friend privately; commend him publicly.—She was just engaged. "Did he come up very close to you when he proposed?" inquired one of her young lady friends. "Well I hope you don't think he went across the street and shouted his love over to me," was the reply she got.—For fertilizers, pure and reliable, go to N. G. Grandy's at the foot of Matthews street. He is doing a large business.—It is said to be a wise man who waits patiently when his hat is blown off until some other person gets out of breath securing it for him.—Dr. Penick, of Shelby, N. C., who with his bride spent a week visiting his father, Rev. Dr. W. S. Penick, here, has returned.—"It is a fact," said a man down town the other day, "that I owe my present success to being refused by a girl. "Well," said a photographer standing by, "that is the first time I ever heard of a negative being a developer."—Remarks the Versifier:

Though every man upon the earth
Has troubles of his own,
Few have enough to make them leave
The other chap's alone.

—The business streets of the city were crowded on Saturday with people from the country, trading etc.—Politeness yields large dividends, but it is an investment often overlooked.—There are regular prayer services at the Baptist Church preparatory to a revival meeting about to begin.—"Of course, you understand the difference between liking and loving?" said the teacher. "Yes, marm; I like my father and mother, but I love pie," responded the young pupil.—The new Spool and Bobbin Factory is enclosed.—There is no local paper more sought after and read than the CAROLINIAN.—The Stroller reports a number more handsome new buildings well under way in different parts of the city since his last stroll, among them one on Ehringhaus street for Mr. M. M. Sawyer; two on African Church street for the Dawson Bros., and another on West Main street for J. H. Leroy.—Rev. Dr. Penick, of the Baptist Church, delivered an instructive lecture to the students of the Atlantic Collegiate Institute Friday night.—There is not a very large attendance at Court this week. Farmers are busy at work.—Postmaster Bliver, of Manteo, was in the city on Monday; so was B. G. Crisp, esq. Both called and paid their respects.—Mr. Henry M. Pritchard is foreman of the Grand Jury.—The boys and girls of the Atlantic Collegiate Institute were escorted by President Sheep into the Court House on Monday to hear the charge to the Grand Jury.—The entire Bar and everybody else of all parties are speaking in the highest terms complimentary of Judge Norwood.—Do not fail to read the announcement of J. A. Hooper & Co. They mean what they say.—We had a call yesterday from W. S. Mercer, of Currituck. He is Chaplain of the Farmers' State Alliance, and is traveling in the the interest of the Alliance. He will speak at Hertford on Monday.—There will be a Willard Memorial Service held at the M. E. Church Sunday night. A full program is prepared. The public is invited.

Special attention is called to the announcement, in another column, of the Play at the Academy on Friday night. From notices of the Press we learn that it is really first-class. From among the many we quote the following:

Fun makers of the first rank are always to be found in Scammon's Company of Comedians. This year they present that famous New York and London Comedy hit, "The Real Widow Brown." Two widows, very much alive, endless misunderstandings on their account, and the masquerading of a gay youth as one of the aforesaid widows furnish a most laughable plot. Its rendering is equally humorous and gay songs, bright costumes, and excellent acting do the rest.

Elizabeth City District—2nd Round.—R. A. Willis, P. E., Eliz. City, N. C.

Elizabeth City, at night	Mar.	20
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Columbia, Wesley Chapel	"	16 17
Camden, McBride's	"	20
Dare, Stumpy Point	"	26 24
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Hatteras	"	7 8
Kitty Hawk	"	21 22
Roanoke, Mt. Olivet	"	29 30

The Battleship Maine

Now lies on the bottom in Havana harbor, so are we at the bottom of low prices. If you have doubts you have only to put us to the test and we invite a comparison of quality and prices by the public.

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Don't forget that we have moved into the Mitchell store on Water street, next to Melick, and have filled it up with new spring goods.

We occupy first and second floors and carry an assortment of everything usually kept in a first-class Dry Goods, Clothing and Notion store.

We now (March 17th) have in stock 319 Suits of Clothing and 411 Pairs of Shoes extra, and fit to any size and suit to any price, and also the finest line of Gents' Shirts and Neckware.

We cordially invite the public to call before buying elsewhere.

Yours to please,

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The first ten who fill out the above by replacing the missing letters will receive one reserve seat free to the Academy Friday night, March 25th. Every one has an equal chance.

OUR COLORED PEOPLE

BY SPECIAL REPORTER.

[Items of interest concerning the Colored People will regularly appear in this column.]

Don't forget your subscription to the CAROLINIAN.

Hon. Hugh Cale has returned from his recent trip to Washington.

Ye reporter spent Saturday very pleasantly with friends in Norfolk.

Mr. Johnson Hoffler from Waterbury, Conn., spent several days of last week in our town.

Revs. J. A. and J. W. Faulk, of Hertford, were down to see us last week.

The entertainments given last week by the two schools, Normal and Industrial and State Normal, were interesting, and, from a financial standpoint, fairly successful.

Rev. Z. H. Berry has been ill for several days but is now considerably improved.

Our promising young townsman, E. C. Cooper, was granted ministerial license by the Quarterly Conference recently held here.

Mr. James W. Brown, who has been North for several months, is at home on a visit to his parents here.

Rev. S. P. Knight, of Edenton, was in the city Monday.

Another concert was given at the Samaritan Hall last night.

The unusual sight of two corpses in one hearse was witnessed on Sunday. The bodies were those of two children who had died over in "Pennsylvania." Both being in the same house, Undertaker James utilized time by conveying both of them to the cemetery at one time.

Mrs. Mary Berry, and aged sister of Rev. Z. H. Berry, died Sunday. The deceased had been an invalid for some time.

The young men of the Hook and Ladder Company have purchased Indian clubs, boxing gloves, balls for punching and other athletic apparatus and will fit up their rooms as a gymnasium.

After a lingering illness of several months Mrs. Annie Poole nee Johnson, died on last Thursday. The funeral took place at Mt. Lebanon Church Saturday with Rev. Anderson officiating.

Mr. Eli McPherson, who has been here on a visit for about three weeks, left yesterday on his return to New York State.

The closing exercises of Mr. M. L. Newby's school near Okisko Friday night last were interesting and commendable. Rev. P. R. Anderson delivered the address and presented prizes to successful students.

A local branch of the United Order of True Reformers was organized here last week with Mr. W. C. M. Butler president.

Hon. Blanche K. Bruce, Register of the U. S. Treasury, died at his home in Washington last Thursday. For years Mr. Bruce has been one of the most prominent race representatives in the country, filling offices of trust and responsibility. During his life he has served as Sheriff, Supt. of Education, U. S. Senator, Recorder of Deeds of the District of Columbia and twice Register of the Treasury. He has also been a member of every National Convention since 1868. Truly a leader has fallen.

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The best Salve in the world for Cuts Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilbains, Corns and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25c per box. For sale by Alex. Wadsworth

No Cure—No Pay.

That is the way all druggists sell GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC for Chills and Malaria. It is simply Iron and Quinine in a tasteless form. Children love it. Adults prefer it to bitter nauseating tonics. Price, 50 cents.

W H Morris,

Veterinary Surgeon.

Having made the Diseases of Horses a special study, is now devoting attention to their cure. He has had marked success in treating staggers, affections of the lungs, lock jaw, etc. He also treats all Domestic Animals.

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Stock of Clothing, Shoes and Gent's Furnishing Goods, Hats etc. The

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900 DROPS

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like our Retail Department, is always kept up to-date. Right here let us say that in the matter of buying we have saved money for others and can do so for you. We know what we are talking about and mean business. Call on us; you'll find us sociable; we have been since we were a boy.

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Before buying your Hosiery, examine the prices and qualites at Fowler & co's.

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Fowler & Co. are offering some Special Bargains in alothing. Some heavy weight or Winter Clothing will be sold for about half their value

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Ten Tabules for Five Cents.

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Send Five Cents to THE RIPANS CHEMICAL COMPANY, No. 10 Spruce St., New York, and they will be sent to you by mail; or 12 cartons will be mailed for 48 cents. The chances are ten to one that Ripans Tabules are the very medicine you need.

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Hints For the Feet.

Never wear a shoe that will not allow the great toe to lie in a straight line.

Never wear a shoe with a sole narrower than the outline of the foot traced with a pencil close under the rounding edge.

Never wear a shoe that pinches the heel.

Never wear a shoe or boot so large in the heel that the foot is not kept in place.

Never wear a shoe or boot tight anywhere.

Never wear a shoe or boot that has depressions in any part of the sole to drop any joint or bearing below the level plane.

Never wear a shoe with a sole turning up very much at the toes, as this causes the cords on the upper part of the foot to contract.

Never wear a shoe that presses up into the hollow of the foot.

Never come from high heels to low heels at one jump.

Never wear one pair of shoes all the time, unless obliged to do so. Two pairs of boots worn a day at a time alternately, give more service and are much more healthful.

Never wear leather sole linings to stand upon. White cotton drilling or linen is much better and more healthful.

Never wear a short stocking, or one which, after being washed, is not at least one-half inch longer than the foot. Bear in mind that stockings shrink. Be sure that they will allow your toes to spread out at the extreme ends, as this keeps the joints in place and makes a strong and attractive foot. As to shape of stockings, the single digital or "one-toe stocking" is the best.

Never think that the feet will grow large from wearing proper shoes. Pinching and distorting makes them grow not only large but unsightly. A proper, natural use of all the muscles makes them compact and attractive. —New York Ledger.

The Modern Way.

The Managing Editor—"Mr. Quill, you will at once send out and secure for the office the following list of articles: Two lengths of stovepipe, three buggy wheels, a broken stove, a wash boiler, two clothes lines, a lot of assorted gaspipe and a thousand feet of mixed lumber."

The City Editor—"And may I ask what this truck is for?"

The Managing Editor—"Great Gutenberg! what stupidity! Listen, sir. The staff photographer is to pose it, sir, as a taken-on-the-spot photograph of the submerged Maine."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

The price of game in France is alleged to depend principally upon the state of the moon. When the moon is dark, and poachers cannot see to set their snares at night, game is scarce; when the moon is full there is plenty of light, and the poachers get lots of game.

A rose fence around a ranch to keep out thieves and desperadoes is the unique plan of Jonathan E. Pierce, of Texas. This flowery bar to trespassers is thirty-seven miles long.

The Chinese dictionary, compiled by Pa-cut-she, 1100 years B. C., is the most ancient of any recorded in literary history.

Never Too Sure.

Against the probability or possibility of mischance or accident we can never be too sure. But if we should stop to consider how great is the chance of sudden death, we would be made too timid and unhappy. Caution is needed not to be foolhardy, and precaution to know what is best to do when an accident happens. One day this winter two men were walking and one said: "We're too timid in traveling on slippery places. I tread firmly and never think about them, and so escape a fall." "Never be too sure," said the other; "it is that that throws you off and makes the fall the harder." "But then they came upon a place covered with thin snow, where kids had been sliding. The first speaker slipped and came down with his foot turned and badly sprained his ankle. He was a cripple on crutches until a short time ago, having used many things without benefit. Up to that time he had not used St. Jacobs Oil, which, when used, cured him completely, so that he walks as usual. There is a probability that for the rest of the season he will walk cautiously, with the precaution of having this great remedy ready for use.

Fewer French ships pass through the Suez Canal than German, Italian or even Dutch.

CONSULTING A WOMAN.

Mrs. Pinkham's Advice Inspires Confidence and Hope.

Examination by a male physician is a hard trial to a delicately organized woman.

She puts it off as long as she dare, and is only driven to it by fear of cancer, polypus, or some dreadful ill.

Most frequently such a woman leaves a physician's office where she has undergone a critical examination with an impression more or less, of discouragement.

This condition of the mind destroys the effect of advice; and she grows worse rather than better. In consulting Mrs. Pinkham no hesitation need be felt, the story is told to a woman and is wholly confidential. Mrs. Pinkham's address is Lynn, Mass., she offers sick women her advice without charge.

Her intimate knowledge of women's troubles makes her letter of advice a wellspring of hope, and her wide experience and skill point the way to health.

"I suffered with ovarian trouble for seven years, and no doctor knew what was the matter with me. I had spells which would last for two days or more. I thought I would try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I have taken seven bottles of it, and am entirely cured."—MRS. JOHN FOREMAN, 26 N. Woodberry Ave., Baltimore, Md.

The above letter from Mrs. Foreman is only one of thousands.

Try Grain-O! Try Grain-O!

Ask you Grocer to-day to show you a package of GRAIN-O, the new food drink that takes the place of coffee. The children may drink it without injury as well as the adult. All who try it, like it. GRAIN-O has that rich seal brown of Mocha or Java, but it is made from pure grains, and the most delicate stomach receives it without distress. ¼ the price of coffee. 15 cents and 25 cents per package. Sold by all grocers.

Tastes like Coffee
Looks like Coffee

Insist that your grocer gives you GRAIN-O
Accept no imitation.

An Overworked Brain.

From the Record, Pierceton, Ind.

Determined to rise in his chosen profession as an educator, Ernest Kemper, of Pierceton, Ind., overtaxed himself mentally and physically. He was ambitious, his mind was always on his work. From early morn until late at night he continually pored over his books.

Few persons, even with the strongest constitutions, can keep up under such a strain.

In addition to his studies, Mr. Kemper was teaching a school some three miles from his home. Finally, his excessive study and the exposure of going to and from school in all kinds of weather undermined his health.

He was taken to his bed with pneumonia and his overworked brain almost collapsed. For several weeks he was seriously ill. Catarrh had taken root in his system and his mind was in a delicate condition. He was sent to Colorado where he spent three months without receiving any benefit. Then a noted specialist from Cleveland treated him without avail, and then a hospital in Chicago was tried, but all absolutely without benefit. Finally his physician recommended Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, and from the first box he began to improve. When he had taken nine boxes he was completely cured. This famous blood and nerve medicine had accomplished what all his former expensive treatment failed to accomplish. Mr. Kemper says his catarrh has entirely left him; he is strong again and weighs nine pounds more than he ever did. He gives the pills the entire credit. He is starting teaching again and feels abundantly able to continue the work. To prove that the above is true in every respect, Mr. Kemper made an affidavit as follows:

Governordy.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of September, 1897.

R. F. WATT, *Notary Public.*

We doubt if these pills have an equal in all the range of medicine, for building up a run down and debilitated system.

The Springs of Florida.

A short distance down the peninsula and below Jasper is Suwanee Spring. It forms one of the principal feeders of the river, and is a well-known favorite winter resort. It is some distance from the railroad station, and tourists are taken thither in an ancient "kinky" street car, and their baggage on a flat open car linked behind.

Suwanee Spring, like many of the other large bodies of so-called springs in Florida, is nothing more or less than the coming to the surface of a considerable sized underground river, and, like many of these springs, that at Suwanee is supposed to possess valuable medicinal qualities, particularly for diseases which affect the kidneys and bladder.

The large springs of Florida are among its greatest curiosities, and many of them are wonderful for their beauty and varied features. Almost invariably they are clear as crystal and very deep, some as much as eighty feet. Many, like Suwanee and Green Cove springs, are heavily charged with sulphur, and others, like those at Homasassa, with sulphur, iron and magnesia. The waters are almost invariably warm.

Besides the Suwanee Spring there are others in the near vicinity, one a few miles below, called High Springs, and still a third close beside the railroad tracks at Juliette. This one is quite large and of such remarkable limpidness that from the railroad tracks, more than a hundred feet away, fish may be plainly seen swimming about in its depths.—Florida Letter in Philadelphia Ledger.

Health is Capital.

Health is capital as truly as money is, and the man who so regards it will be as careful in its expenditure, as cautious in its investment, as prudent in husbanding its resources, as the financier is in the management of the principal from which he derives his income. Many persons have no other capital than health; the strength they use in their daily business may secure a comfortable living so long as it remains unimpaired, but once let the health springs be exhausted by carelessness, improvidence or too lavish expenditure, there is but one way to replenish them—right living and rest. Wealth accumulates by saving, and just in the same way health comes from saving strength, not wasting it upon trifles, not exhausting it in too severe and prolonged efforts; by recuperating in rest and sleep, by taking such exercise and food that will invigorate instead of depleting the physical powers. It is never wise to work to the extreme limit of one's ability. When weary, rest; when exhausted sleep. The whole man will be recreated by it. It is by spending less than his income by turning honest pennies over and over, reinvesting as they accumulate, that a person builds up his fortune.—The Ledger.

Can't Tell Their Husbands Apart.

"Jim Hisey, aged forty-eight, is a prosperous grain dealer in Yale. He has a wife, two sons and a daughter. Will Hisey, aged forty-eight, his brother, lives at Sparta. He is also married. The two men are twins, and all through life have been the living duplicates of each other. So near alike are they that even their wives cannot tell them apart. They dress alike, their voices are alike and their hair and mustaches have the same color and curls. When boys they had to be tagged so that their parents and teachers would know the difference. When Jim gets a crick in the back Will is liable to have the same complaint, and when Will gets the rheumatism Jim also gets it precisely in the same place. They were formerly both engaged in the milling business and served an apprenticeship under the same man. They were born in western Ontario, their parents being Jacob and Betsy Hisey. Jim's wife has only one way in which she can tell her husband from his brother. He has a slight curve in one of his fingers, which has to be held up in full view. Then he must give a password before he is received into full fellowship of the home circle. Many amusing instances of mistaken identity are told of the two. —Detroit Tribune.

Knowledge is Power.

First Successful Business Man—"I had a common school education, but I found it sufficient. You, I believe, were a college graduate?"

Second Successful Business Man—"Yes; graduated with high honors, too."

First S. B. M.—"Now, tell me truly. Did you ever find any practical use for what you learned at college?"

Second S. B. M.—"Um—yes. One night, when burglars got into my house, I scared them off with a college yell."—New York Weekly.

St. Peter's, Rome, is one of the most colossal buildings in the world. Forty-three popes reigned while it was being built.

The Sultan of Turkey spends more for his table than any other human being of modern or ancient times—$5000 daily.

HAWAIIAN ANNEXATION.

The Treaty Dropped and a Joint Resolution Introduced.

REPORTED FAVORABLY TO SENATE

Annexation by Legislation the Programme Now—Action of Chairman Davis at the Direction of the Foreign Relations Committee—A Virtual Abandonment of the Treaty—Sent to the Calendar.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—In the Senate Wednesday, Chairman Davis (Rep. Minn.) of the Committee on Foreign Relations reported a joint resolution providing for the annexation of the Hawaiian Islands to the United States. The resolution was introduced following action by the committee, which agreed to recommend that the Hawaiian Islands be annexed by legislation in open session.

The following is the text of the resolution:

"Section 1—The Government of the Republic of Hawaii having in due form signified its consent in the manner provided by its constitution to cede absolutely and without reserve to the United States of America all rights of sovereignty of whatsoever kind in and to the Hawaiian Islands and to their dependencies, also to cede and transfer to the United States the absolute fee and ownership of all public, government or crown lands, public buildings or edifices, forts, harbors, military equipment, and all other public property of whatever kind and description belonging to the Government of the Hawaiian Islands, and every right and appurtenance thereunto appertaining; therefore be it

"Resolved, That said cession is accepted, ratified and confirmed, and that the said Hawaiian Islands and their dependencies be and they are hereby annexed as a part of the territory of the United States and are subject to the sovereign dominion thereof, and that all and singular the property and rights hereinbefore mentioned are vested in the United States of America.

"The resolution then adopts the language of the treaty beginning with the second paragraph of the second section, and taking all the remainder of it, but does not cite it as a part of the treaty. This part provides for the disposal of the Hawaiian public lands, for the temporary government of the Island until Congress decides upon a permanent form of government, the abrogation of Hawaiian treaties and the preservation of Hawaiian customs regulations until those of the United States shall be put into operation, the assumption of the public debt of Hawaii by the United States to the extent of $4,000,000, the regulation of Chinese immigration, and the appointment by the President of five commissioners to prepare a code of laws for the government of the islands.

Section two provides that the Commissioners proposed shall be appointed by the President by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

The sum of $100,000 is appropriated by the third and last section for the purpose of carrying the resolution into effect, and this sum is made immediately available.

The resolution went to the calendar. Senator Davis did not give any notice as to when it would be called up.

FIRE HAD THEM IN A TRAP.

Nearly 400 Persons in a Mad Rush For Their Lives.

Fire was discovered in Chicago at 11 o'clock a. m., in the seven-story structure at 215 Wabash avenue known as the Emerson building. Nearly 400 persons were within its walls. There was a rush for life, and it proved a rush to death for many. Although only four bodies have been identified, fourteen persons are missing, probably dead.

The building is just within the elevated railway loop in the busiest spot on Wabash avenue. An explosion quickly followed the first burst of flames, and then drew thousands into the streets to witness victims jumping from the upper floors. The persons in the building rushed to the windows and doors on every one of the seven stories. They crawled out on the cornices and ran down the fire escapes. They poured out of the exits over one another. Men and women leaped from the windows. Some were caught in the arms of spectators and in blankets, escaping with their lives. Four others fell to their deaths.

FRENCH NAVY ACTIVE.

The Fleet Reported as Prepared to Mobilize.

The French fleet is being prepared for mobilization, the feverish activity prevailing at all the arsenals and shipyards, which are working until 10 o'clock at night.

The French northern squadron at Cherbourg is ready for immediate departure. The ships, it appears, are being swung during the night, at Cherbourg, for the adjustment of their compasses.

Finally, it is asserted that, in order to complete the necessary number of officers for the second-class cruisers are to be appointed midshipmen, and all the admirals have been instructed to arrange to reach Paris within twenty-four hours after being summoned.

The mobilization is connected with preparations to support Russia by a naval demonstration in the far East.

MAINE VICTIMS WITHOUT HEIRS.

Only 127 Claimants Found—Sixty-three Foreigners on Board.

Frank H. Morris, Fourth Auditor of the Treasury, is at present in Cleveland. Mr. Morris's department has charge of the work of settling the claims of the heirs of those lost by the Maine disaster.

"We have found on investigation that out of 378 men who were on the boat sixty-three were foreigners," said Mr. Morris. "Of the 253 who were killed we have succeeded in getting into correspondence with 127 claimants. It will surprise you to know that less than ten per cent. of this number had families depending on them, and many had no direct heirs."

The Maine Inquiry.

The Maine Court of Inquiry arrived at Key West, Fla., from Havana, and its members consulted with Admiral Sicard; leaves of absence of the surviving officers of the Maine were released, and they left Key West for their respective homes. The Montgomery was withdrawn from Havana Harbor.

Powderly Nomination Confirmed.

The nomination of T. V. Powderly to be Commissioner of Immigration was confirmed by the United States Senate in executive session by a vote of 43 to 29. Senator Chandler was the only Republican who cast his vote against confirmation, while a large number of Democrats voted for Mr. Powderly.

A Friendly Remonstrance.

The Spanish Cabinet has addressed a friendly remonstrance to the State Department against the presence of a great fleet at Key West and other emergency measures taken by the Administration.

Rhode Island Republicans.

The Republican State Convention of Rhode Island met in Music Hall at Providence. The old ticket was renominated with the exception of the candidate for Lieutenant-Governor, the present Lieutenant-Governor having declined to run again on account of pressing business engagements. William Gregory, of North Kingstown, was substituted for Aram J. Pothier, of Woonsocket, for the position.

Japan Buys a Warship Also.

A dispatch from Kiel, Germany, say Japan has purchased a torpedo-corvette which was being built there by the Krupps for Brazil.

Uncle Sam Buys a Yacht.

Upon the recommendation of the Board on Auxiliary Cruisers, the Navy Department has purchased of the estate of the late Ogden Goelet, of New York City, the twin-screw steel yacht Mayflower. The purchase price is reported to be a little more than $500,000. The vessel is to be used by the Government as a scout boat. The Mayflower is the first vessel purchased to be used as an auxiliary cruiser in time of war.

Must Not Waste Natural Gas.

The Supreme Court of Indiana has decided that the waste of natural gas is a nuisance and must be abated.

THE MARKETS.

Late Wholesale Prices of Country Produce Quoted in New York.

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MILK AND CREAM.

The average price paid for the surplus on the platforms has been 2½c ₱ qt. net to shipper. Receipts of milk and cream at the different railroad distributing points in and near the city for the week have been as follows:

Average daily receipts of the week,	
Condensed milk, cans	23,001
Cream, cans	165
	449

BUTTER.

Creamery—West. extras...₱	—	@	19
Firsts	18	@	18½
Thirds to seconds	15	@	17
State—Thirds to firsts	14	@	18
State Dairy tubs, extras	—	@	18
Imitation Creamery	—	@	18
Factory, fresh firsts	14	@	17
Low grades	—	@	14½
	12	@	13

CHEESE.

State—Full cream, new, large	—	@	8
Small	—	@	8½
Part skims, good to prime	4½	@	5
Full skims	2	@	3

EGGS.

State and Penn—Fresh	10¼	@	10½
Jersey—Fancy	—	@	11
Western—Choice	—	@	11
Southern—Choice	10	@	10½
Duck eggs, ₱ doz	18	@	24
Goose eggs, ₱ doz	60	@	70

BEANS AND PEAS.

Beans—Marrow, choice, 1897	1 37½	@	1 40
Medium, choice, 1897	—	@	1 12½
Pea, choice, 1897	—	@	1 10½
Red kidney, choice, 1897	—	@	1 67½
White kidney, choice, 1897	—	@	1 50
Yellow eye	—	@	1 30
Lima, Cal., ₱ 60 lbs	—	@	1 50
Green peas, bags	75	@	77½

FRUITS AND BERRIES—FRESH.

Apples, Ben Davis, ₱ bbl	3 00	@	3 50
Greening, ₱ bbl	3 00	@	3 50
Baldwin, ₱ bbl	3 00	@	3 25
Cranberries, Cape Cod, ₱ bbl	10 00	@	12 50
Jersey, ₱ bbl	8 00	@	10 00
Strawberries, Fla., ₱ qt	20	@	40

HOPS.

State—1897, choice, ₱ lb	18	@	18½
1896, prime	8	@	8½
Pacific Coast, 1897, choice	18	@	18½
Good to prime	16	@	17
Old odds	3	@	4½

LIVE POULTRY.

Fowls, ₱ lb	—	@	9½
Chickens, ₱ lb	8½	@	9
Roosters, ₱ lb	—	@	5½
Turkeys, ₱ lb	10	@	11
Ducks, ₱ pair	50	@	75
Geese, ₱ pair	1 00	@	50
Pigeons, ₱ pair	20	@	25

DRESSED POULTRY.

Turkeys, ₱ lb	9½	@	12
Chickens, Phila	10	@	15
Western, dry picked	7	@	8½
Fowls, State & Penn., ₱ lb	—	@	8½
Western ducks	6	@	8
Geese, Western, ₱ lb	5	@	7
Squabs, ₱ doz	1 25	@	2 50

HAY AND STRAW.

Hay—Prime, ₱ 100 lb	—	@	75
Clover mixed	45	@	47½
Straw—Long rye	—	@	45
Short rye	—	@	—
Oat	35	@	40

VEGETABLES.

Potatoes, State, ₱ bbl	2 00	@	2 62
Western, ₱ bbl	2 00	@	2 62
Sweet, ₱ bbl	2 50	@	4 50
Cabbages, ₱ 100	1 50	@	3 00
Onions, white, ₱ bbl	1 00	@	3 00
Red, ₱ bbl	1 00	@	1 50
Green peas, Va., ₱ basket	—	@	—
Egg plant, ₱ bbl	5 00	@	8 00
Tomatoes, ₱ carrier	2 00	@	5 00
String beans, ₱ crate	1 25	@	1 75
Squash, ₱ bbl	1 50	@	2 50
Hubbard	—	@	—
Turnips, Russia, ₱ bbl	60	@	80
Celery, ₱ bunch	20	@	75
Carrots, ₱ bbl	1 00	@	1 25
Cauliflower, ₱ box	2 00	@	4 00
Beets, ₱ bbl	75	@	1 00
Lettuce, ₱ basket	50	@	1 00
Spinach, ₱ bbl	50	@	1 50
Kale, per bbl	25	@	50
Brussels sprouts, ₱ qt	7	@	14
Parsnips, ₱ bbl	50	@	75

GRAIN, ETC.

Flour—Winter Patents	4 90	@	5 50
Spring Patents	5 20	@	5 45
Wheat—No. 1 N. Duluth	—	@	1 10¾
No. 2 Red	—	@	1 06¼
Corn—No. 2	—	@	37½
Oats—No. 2 White	—	@	33¾
Track mixed	31	@	33
Rye—Western	—	@	59
Barley—Feeding	42	@	43
Lard—City steam	5.10c	@	5.15c

LIVE STOCK.

Beeves, city dressed	7	@	8½
Milch cows, com. to good	28 75	@	35 00
Calves, city dressed	8	@	11
Country dressed	6	@	9½
Sheep, ₱ 100 ℔	3 75	@	5 00
Lambs, ₱ 100 lb	5 00	@	6 10
Hogs—Live, ₱ 100 lb	4 10	@	4 30
Country dressed	4	@	6½

ACTIVITY IN THE IRON TRADE.

Pennsylvania Companies Increase the Production of Their Plants.

There is more than ordinary activity in the iron trade of eastern Pennsylvania at present, and several establishments are making additions to the productive capacity of their plants. Some of these additions to facilities are about completed. The Lackawanna Iron and Steel Company, of Scranton, decided to place in blast the Colebrook furnace No. 2 at West Lebanon which has been idle several months. Worth Brothers & Company, iron manufacturers at Colesville, will erect a forge at their viaduct mill to facilitate the supply of charcoal blooms, and the Keystone structure works at Royersford decided to resume operations in all departments, some of which have not recently been running in full.

The Central pattern works at Middletown has added largely to its working force as a result of a contract for a large ice machine for a Chicago packing company. It will weigh 600,000 pounds.

BARNATO'S NEPHEW SHOT.

Woolf Joel, a Millionaire, Killed in His Office at Johannesburg.

Woolf Joel, the South African millionaire and nephew of the late Barney Barnato, was shot by a man named Veldtheim in his office in Johannesburg, South African Republic. He died almost instantly. The murderer was arrested.

The murderer is Ludwig von Veldtheim, of Wertheim. It is said that he was supposed to have been murdered in London last summer and his body thrown into the Thames. He entered Mr. Joel's office and demanded the sum of $12,500. The demand was, of course, refused, whereupon he snatched a revolver that was lying on Mr. Joel's desk and shot him in the head. Death resulted in a few minutes. The murderer then attempted to kill himself, but was prevented.

Newsy Gleanings.

Japan's imports exceed its exports.

Norfolk, Va., is to have a peanut oil factory.

The Nicaraguan Congress adjourned until August, 1899.

The Austrian third-class cruiser Donau arrived at Havana, Cuba.

The death rate at Skaguay, in the Klondike, averages fifteen daily.

The bank clearings for February were double what they were last year.

Frederick Weyerhaeuser, of St. Paul, Minn., controls fifteen million feet of standing white pine.

The Nicaraguan Canal Commission began an inspection of the Panama Canal.

The citizens of Sandwich, Mass., voted in favor of the construction of the Cape canal by convicts.

The Government has plans completed for a very thorough survey of the Alaska coast this summer.

The importation of American crude oil into Germany, to be refined there, is increasing rapidly.

The Brooklyn School Board has asked for $1,000,000 for the purpose of erecting new school houses.

Ohio has repealed that part of its game laws protecting rabbits on the plea that they have become a pest and that the farmers have demanded a chance to protect their fields.

German beer exports, which were valued a few years since at $6,000,000, have decreased to half that amount.

The cotton crop thus far marketed exceeds by 933,000 bales the banner year of 1895, when the movement was 9,901,000 bales.

Lord Roberts of Candahar and Waterford, in a speech in the House of Lords, advocated an aggressive policy by the British in India.

Experiments are being made in Nicaragua in shipping evaporated bananas. A fair degree of success has attended the efforts thus far.

The House Committee on Naval affairs decided that the cost of the three battleships proposed to be built should be $6,000,000 each.

THE NEWS EPITOMIZED.

Washington Items.

Major-General Miles, after a searching investigation of the defenses on Long Island Sound, returned to Washington convinced that New York is absolutely secure from attack by foreign war ships.

The House Committee on Naval Affairs voted to build five new drydocks and will probably authorize the construction of several torpedo boats and torpedo boat destroyers.

Pay Director Luther G. Billings has been placed on the retired list of the navy. His sentence of dismissal from the service will be allowed to drop.

Bishop Satterlee deposed from the ministry the Rev. Gilbert F. Williams, pastor of Christ Episcopal Church, on charges of immorality.

New York and New Jersey pilots who are familiar with all parts of the Atlantic coast volunteered their services to the Government.

The Senate passed a bill authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to have constructed eight vessels for the revenue cutter service.

The Supreme Court in an opinion rendered by Justice Harlan, affirmed in the broadest way the validity and constitutionality of the law of Kansas forbidding the bringing into the State of cattle capable of communicating to local cattle the Texas fever. Mr. Justice Brewer dissented.

Domestic.

Captain William Lee, an army veteran, mortified because he failed to get the appointment of Postmaster in Merchantville, N. J., committed suicide.

Dr. Trumbull W. Cleaveland was indicted in New York City for manslaughter in the second degree, charged with causing the death of the infant daughter of John L. Carhart by giving her harmful medicines.

Frank Scarringe, who suddenly disappeared recently from Mechanicsville, N. Y., was found dead in a millpond at Saratoga. Upon his body were found three gold watches and a roll of money amounting to $2000.

John Wanamaker opened his campaign as candidate for Governor of Pennsylvania at Lancaster, Penn. He made a fierce attack upon boss rule, and, alluding incidentally to the Cuban crisis, said the people of Pennsylvania were not afraid of war with Spain, and approved the measures taken by the Government.

A Bessemer pig iron pool has been formed in Cleveland, Ohio, to control the market in the United States.

William H. Maxwell was elected City Superintendent of Schools of Greater New York by the Board of Education. His salary was fixed at $8000 a year.

In New York City Recorder Goff sentenced William J. Koerner, the newspaper artist, recently convicted of second degree murder, to life imprisonment in Sing Sing Prison.

Harry Pole and Mrs. Leonora Faulkner were fatally shot by "Captain" Peterson, who has charge of a Brooklyn dredge boat, because of jealousy. Peterson had a short time before locked Mrs. Faulkner out of the house where they both lived. She asked Pole, whom she had never seen before, to assist her in opening the basement door. He consented, and both were shot.

Dr. Edward B. Coombs, a former Coroner of Kings County, Brooklyn, was found guilty of grand larceny for fraudulently obtaining fees.

Governor Bradley, of Kentucky, received a message from Middlesboro stating there are seventy new cases of smallpox and four hundred suspects there; that the city is quarantined, has no money, the county can appropriate none and that the city's stricken people are liable to starve.

Edward Garrity, an engineer on the New York Central, was killed near Montrose, N. Y., by his head striking a bridge.

The Bank of Abbeville, Ga., made an assignment.

Batteries of artillerymen were sent to Fort Hancock, at Sandy Hook, N. J., to man the big guns there. Twenty twelve-inch mortars arrived.

A dispatch from Seattle, Wash., says that the Stikkeen River route to the Klondike is snowbound, and that many people are returning.

Miss Lena Bemis, of Mount Holly, N. J., threw acid in the face of Miss Katherine Weitzell, who had won her lover away.

An Italian was arrested at Springfield, Mass., for attempting to wreck the Boston and Albany accommodation train by placing a coupling pin on the track.

S. L. Buck, of Pennsylvania, who went to the Klondike country with 110 trained dogs, has written back that many people are living like tramps and starving, and few miners are getting any gold.

The proposition to appropriate $100,000 annually for Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, is likely to encounter opposition, when it comes before the Maryland Legislature, although the general opinion in that State is that something ought to be done to help the institution.

Foreign.

The Australasian Colonial Convention has adopted the Federation bill. The bill now goes to the various Legislatures of Australia.

A large party of Dervishes crossed the Nile to Shebaliya Island, and were repulsed by the Egyptian troops with the loss of thirty-eight men killed. The only Egyptian casualty was the wounding of Major Sitwell.

The American Medical Mission in the suburbs of Chung-King-Fu, Province of Sze-Chwan, on the Yang-Tse-Kiang, China, has been attacked by a mob. The native medical assistants have been maltreated and one has been murdered.

War feeling was expressed in the speeches at the banquet of the Chambers of Commerce in London, and sympathy was manifested for Lord Salisbury in his illness.

The French Minister for the Colonies, M. Lebon, has refused the petition of Mme. Dreyfus, wife of the former Captain Dreyfus, to share the latter's imprisonment on Devil's Island.

The Socialists engaged in rioting at Budapest, Hungary. Many windows were broken and the mounted police intervened, with the result that thirty-eight persons were arrested.

The tug Underwriter, with the derrick Chief in tow, arrived at Havana to work on the Maine wreck.

An outbreak of yellow fever of a mild type is reported from Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

At a meeting of the Jamaica Legislature it was estimated that the deficit in the island's revenue for the year ending March 31, 1899, will be $925,000.

The Kynoch Company, of Birmingham, England, has already dispatched part of a large Spanish order for special projectiles, standing 4½ feet high, the largest ever made by the Kynochs.

Spanish strikers from the great iron mine of Somorrostro were fired upon by troops and three were killed outright.

New measures for dealing with the plague are to be inaugurated in Bombay, India.

The United States cruiser San Francisco left Lisbon for England, where she will place a crew on the Amazonas, the recently-acquired cruiser which was being built for Brazil. It is the present expectation that she will then convoy the Amazonas to the United States.

The foreigners residing in Costa Rica have offered large sums to the Government in the event of war with Nicaragua.

Two peasants were killed and forty wounded in the Agrarian revolt in Hungary.

Lord Salisbury's health is such that he will take a fortnight's vacation at Beaulieu, France, while Mr. A. J. Balfour will conduct the affairs of the Foreign Office.

An agreement will be reached between Peru and Chile, it is expected, in regard to the important provinces of Tacna and Arica.

President Dole, on his return to Honolulu, Hawaii, spoke warmly of his reception in America and the sentiment for annexation in the United States.

France, it is said, will occupy Lei-Chau, on the Quang-Tung Peninsula, China, as a naval base.

General Sung, the Chinese commander at Port Arthur, has determined not to surrender the post to Russia even at the command of the Emperor.

The members of the Maine Court of Inquiry informally consulted over their work aboard the Mangrove in Havana Harbor; another unidentified body has been taken from the wreck of the Maine.

Floods are reported from all over the province of Quebec, Canada. At Mansonville the hotel bus was turned over. Three commercial travelers who were in it going to the train managed to get out and were fortunately stopped by a big tree as they were being swept down the Missisquoi River, but the driver was lost, together with the team of horses and the bus.

Our officers at Havana are inquiring into the statement of Captain Rouse, a veteran navigator in West Indian waters, that he never before saw a ship moored to the buoy the Maine was sent to, and had often wondered at it.

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All Strength in His Limbs

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The Rich Resources of the South.

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History of the National Capitol.

The cornerstone of the original Capitol building, at Washington, was laid September 18, 1793, by President Washington, with Masonic ceremonies. The north wing was finished in 1800 and the south wing in 1811. A wooden passageway connected them. August 24, 1814, the interior of both wings was destroyed by fire, set by the British. In 1818 the central portion of the building was commenced and was finally completed in 1827. The cost of the Capitol up to 1827, including the grading of grounds, alterations, etc., was $2,433,844.13. The cornerstone of the extensions was laid on the Fourth of July, 1851, by President Fillmore, Daniel Webster officiating as orator. This work was completed in 1865. These extensions were first occupied for legislative purposes January 4, 1859. The old dome was torn down and work commenced on the new one in 1855. The present structure, which is of cast iron, was completed in 1865. The entire weight of iron used is 8,909,200 pounds. The statue which crowns the dome was put in position December 2, 1864. It is of bronze, and its correct designation of Freedom. The height of the statue is nineteen feet six inches, and it weighs 14,985 pounds. There is now a bill before Congress to cover it with gold leaf.—William E. Curtis.

Acting as a Sub.

Miles—"Why, hello, Giles, old boy, how are you? Gracious, how you have changed! I didn't recognize you at first."

Giles—"In what way have I changed?"

Miles—"In your general appearance. Quite a dude at one time, you seem to have grown careless."

Giles—"Oh, is that it? Well, I'm married now, and have quit the dude business."

Miles—"I see. Not a dude any more; merely a subdude."—Chicago News.

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